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My Prayer

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OH! turn me, mould me, mellow me for use.
Pervade my being with Thy vital force,
That this else inexpensive life of mine
May become eloquent and full of power,
Impregnated with life and strength Divine.
Put the bright torch of heaven into my hand
That I may carry it aloft
And win the eye of weary wanderers here below,
To guide their feet into the paths of peace.
I cannot raise the dead
Nor from this soil pluck precious dust,
Nor bid the sleeper wake,
Nor still the storm, nor bend the lightning back,
Nor muffle up the thunder
Nor bid the chains fall from off creation's long enfettered limbs.
But I can live a life that tells on other lives,
And makes this world less full of anguish and of pain;
A life that, like the pebble dropped upon the sea,
Sends its wide circle to a hundred shores.
May such a life be mine!
Creator of true life, Thyself the life Thou givest,
Give Thyself, that Thou mayest dwell in me, and I in thee.

—HORATIUS BONAR.

Editorial

The New Year

THE old year has passed into history. As we watched it go, we thought of the omissions and indifferent service it held, the fears and unnecessary worries, work begun, poorly done or never finished, harsh hurting words and ignoble thoughts, lukewarm interest, unfulfilled aspirations, lost opportunities, deaf ears turned to the appeal of the Master. How we have marred it, and it came to us in 1934 fresh from the hand of God. But God has given us a new year—a fresh chance to place the proper emphasis on the things that count—on Bible Reading, Prayer and Service. Remembering the failures of the past shall we not all in 1935, say:

> ''Dear Master as the old year dieth soon
> Take Thou my harp,
> And prove if any string be out of tune,
> Or flat, or sharp!
> Correct Thou, Lord, for me
> What ringeth harsh to Thee,
> That heart and life may sing, the new year long,
> Thy perfect song!''

The Need for Prayer

IT has been said, ''There are more reasons today for praying than ever before, for there are more problems. People are living under greater pressure; needs are more numerous and baffling; the demands upon physical, mental and spiritual strength are increasing.''

To those who say they have no time for prayer we would quote from the same writer, ''True prayer never takes time from anything else we ought to do. True prayer never wastes time; it always saves time. The man or woman who gives one hour daily of his or her sixteen waking hours to prayer can actually accomplish more in the remaining fifteen than he or she could in sixteen hours without prayer.''

Because of the need for prayer and the power of prayer we have adapted the following prayer topics for our Society:

Provincial Presidents Pray—For the missionaries, that they may have strength for their daily needs; for Presbyterial Societies that they may lead their local Societies into closer fellowship with Christ; for your officers.

Presbyterial Presidents Pray—That every local Society may rise to the highest standard of giving of self and service; for the missionaries and stations that are counting on your prayers; for all your officers.

Presidents of Local Societies Pray—For your missionaries in danger of discouragement because of inability to enter doors opened by God; for your officers; for wider vision and patient effort; for every member, that all may unite daily in thanksgiving for what has been accomplished; for a happy ending to the fiscal year.

All missionary women Pray—For the mission fields, that no worker need be withdrawn; for all women of the Church that they may be more eager to share Christ with others; for the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

All women everywhere—Observe the World Day of Prayer on March 8th and so come into a closer fellowship of intercession with the Christian women of all races.

''Glad Tidings'' Features

IN January, 1931, the Editorial Committee decided to follow a definite plan in presenting our work in the magazine, and to take it up country by country, devoting one issue, or more if required, to each field. This has been done. During 1931, we took up our Overseas Fields. In 1932, our National Work was featured, department by department. 1933-34 was devoted to the organizations, from Mission Band to the Council Executive, concluding with an article on the Women's Missionary Society. December, 1934, saw the completion of the plan begun in 1931, and the close of the Seventieth anniversary of the organization of the Society with all its special features, the *Glad Tidings'* contribution being the May issue which was an anniversary number of historic value.

This year we hope to feature those pieces of work to which we merely give grants of money and to show how vital they are to our work, beginning with the story of the origin and growth of the Canadian School of Missions. The following is the list:

INSTITUTIONS IN CANADA—Canadian School of Missions, Knox College, Deaconess Home, Fresh Air Camp.

LITERATURE IN CANADA—Chinese (Sask.), Hungarian magazine.

INSTITUTIONS, OVERSEAS—Hackett Medical College, Canton, China; St. Christopher Training College, Madras, Ludhiana Medical College, India; Leprosy Colony, Formosa; Church of Christ in China.

LITERATURE, OVERSEAS—Interdenominational Christian Literature, Christian Literature Society, Shanghai.

FEDERATED FEES—The Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions of North America.

Magazines issued by other W.M. Societies, and something on the origin and growth of newspaper evangelism will also be featured.

''Doctor Jessie MacBean''

''DR. JESSIE MacBEAN and the work in Hackett Medical College'', by Lereine Ballantyne, has just been published. It is a charming book and quite unusual, being a compilation of the life of Dr. MacBean, with chapters on her girlhood, the intimate life of the hospital, the nurses and the Chinese people, written by the Chinese doctors and members of the staff—the whole being woven into a delightful picture, in the centre of which is our beloved Dr. Jessie MacBean—the pioneer medical missionary woman to China.

The Chinese name for Dr. MacBean is ''Healer of Lives''. For the past thirty years, Dr. MacBean, with untiring energy, unwearied patience, tact, skill, and the noblest Christian devotion, has been building up a remarkable piece of medical work in China and fulfilling her dream of training many hands to do similar work to that which she has done with her hands, and sending the product straight into Chinese life. Dr. MacBean is a doctor, but first, last and always a Christian doctor.

We commend this book to our readers, and feel sure that Mrs. Ballantyne must be very happy to be able to write, with the help of Dr. MacBean's colleagues, a book that gives such a vivid picture of so outstanding a figure in missionary life.

Deaconess Changes

SEVERAL changes have been made in the Deaconess Department. Miss Mary Todd, who did such fine work among the young people in Winnipeg, has been transferred to Brownvale, Peace River District, in response to a most urgent call for a worker. Miss Hazel Macdonald, of Prince Albert, Sask., also a successful worker, has been moved to Winnipeg where there are great opportunities for the type of work for which she has had special training. In January, Miss M. Allan, of Hamilton, will commence work in districts hitherto unworked by our deaconess, relinquishing some of her work in St. Enoch's and St. David's. Many requests for deaconesses come to the Council Executive but on account of the condition of the treasury we have reluctantly to reply that they cannot be met.

Girls' Organizations Secretary Appointed

MRS. JOHN KELMAN has been appointed to the position of Girls' Organizations Secretary of the Council—a post rendered vacant by the resignation of Miss Muriel Gray. Mrs. Kelman was for three years Girls' Organization Secretary of Toronto Presbyterial and is chairman of the Provincial Girls' Work Board, and brings to her new office a knowledge of girls' work and an understanding of their problems.

Press Secretaries Attention Please

AT the beginning of another year we would again remind our Press Secretaries and readers that all material for insertion in the *Glad Tidings* must be in the hands of the Editor, Miss Fraser, before the end of the month prior to the date of issue—in other words, the material for the Christmas number goes to the printer on November 1st. Another point to remember is that Provincial Press Secretaries are only allowed one page each month (500 words), Ontario having so many more branches is allowed 2 pages (1,000 words). This was agreed to by Council. Therefore, kind friends, do not criticize your Press Secretaries, instead, encourage those truly loyal women who seek to be fair to all, in their arduous task of ''boiling down'' material. The wise people are those who use the local press which is so generous with its space to material of news value.

Missionary Writer Dies

MISSIONARY women of all denominations will learn with sorrow of the death, in October, of Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery. Mrs. Montgomery was President for a long time of the Women's Baptist Foreign Mission Society, and occupied the important position of President of the Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions from 1917-18. Mrs. Montgomery was perhaps best known as a missionary writer and author of several of the Foreign Mission study books—a number of which formed the basis of study for our Auxiliaries.

A Life Long Officer Passes

AS we go to press word has come of the death of Mrs. M. B. McQuesten, of Hamilton, an honored officer and pioneer worker in the W.M.S. Further reference will appear in the next issue.

Sound the Clarion!

''Sound the clarion, blow the trumpet, rouse to strife the Church of God!
March we forth, our footsteps planting where the hosts of Christ have trod!
Down the ages they have wrestled for the things that make men great,
Self-forgetting love and mercy battling greed and lust and hate.

Strident God-denying voices shout, 'Material wealth is all!'
Cry, 'The forces of the Spirit down before brute might shall fall!'
Fire Thy Church, O Christ, to witness, lest, by godless men denied,
God's fair Truth be scorned and banished and the good be crucified.

Lift we high the Christian banner! Prize we high our Christian birth!
Prayer and faith and lovingkindness must not perish from the earth!
Never shall the gain of ages vanish in barbaric loss!
Church of God, march on triumphant 'neath the glory of the Cross!''

Estimates for 1935

MRS. DANIEL STRACHAN, TREASURER

ONCE more it is time to present the estimates for 1935 as passed by the Council Executive at its meeting on November 27th.

Council set the estimate for 1935 at $160,000, which is $2,000 in advance of the 1934 estimate.

When the Finance Committee totalled all the amounts, as sent to them by the various committees and Secretaries, the total figure was about $161,000 and, when the probable receipts from hospitals and residences were deducted, there was a balance left which was put to the estimate for new missionaries. The fact that an amount was arrived at, so near the estimate, is a great tribute to the Secretaries and their workers, who spent so much time in paring their estimates to the lowest amount possible to carry the work with efficiency.

The total estimate struck is $172,250, but of this amount $10,550 is to be taken from the Legacy Fund for buildings and equipment and $1,700 is estimated receipts from Hospitals and School Residences, which leaves $160,000 to be raised by Provincials and individual subscriptions.

The estimates in themselves are somewhat prosaic and really only make provision for carrying established work at as low a figure as possible. The buildings estimated for are provided not by the membership at large, but by legacies from former members and by special gifts.

In our National Work, in the institutions and Welcome and Welfare and Deaconess Department the estimates are either down or the same as in 1934, and it is a good sign that no maintenance is asked for at the ''Hugh Waddell'' Hospital, Canora, no maintenance is asked for at the Saskatoon Residence, while others have reduced or done away with fuel and other allowances. In the Indian Residential Schools, small reductions have been made which helped to keep down the total. The Supply Department estimate is also materially reduced.

Holding the fort is the order of the day in National work and, while some readjustment of workers has been made, there is to be no expansion of workers or work except for a much needed X-ray equipment for Vegreville Hospital which comes out of the Legacy Fund.

Turning to our Overseas Missions, all estimates are just keeping the established work on the lowest possible amount. The staff is less by one.

The only expansion is in India where estimates are allowed for completing buildings already authorized and for which money is available in the Legacy Fund and through special gifts. In Formosa, provision is made for the last payment on Happy Mount Chapel at the Leprosy Colony, also taken from the Legacy Fund. For 1935, a definite amount of $1,400 is allowed for British Guiana which our women will welcome. The money which was on hand with the Associated Treasurers in Shanghai will be exhausted by the end of 1934 so that the full amount for work in China requires to come out of the estimate for 1935.

It is good to see an estimate for $2,900 for new missionaries when one considers how many are needed.

In the Publications estimate 5 salaries are included, the Publications Secretary and her two assistants, and the Editor and her assistant. A new Manual for the use of applicants for positions with the W.M.S. has to be issued and provision is made for this.

In the Organization Department we have the salaries of the Field Secretary and two Young Women's Secretaries, one of whom is a new appointee in this Department.* A change is being made here and, in place of giving a salary of $1,300 and paying all expenses, a salary of $1,800 is estimated from which is to be paid all expense except bus or railway ticket and pullman when necessary.

In the 1934 estimate the National work was cut by the Secretaries, and in the Overseas work a 10 per cent. cut was made in the work and also in the Publications, Organization, Lantern Slides and Library estimates. For 1935, this has not been necessary, so far, but the whole estimate of $160,000 is subject to revision should the income of the Society fall short when all returns are in the end of January. The estimates therefore go out with this proviso, but it will be a real hardship to trim them down for it is self-evident that it can only be done by dropping some pieces of work. And so much new work is waiting to be done. It is to be hoped that each member will study the estimates as carefully as the Committees of the Executive Board have done. It is hard to stand rather idly by when so much is being asked of us, on the other hand it is gratifying that, during these trying years, it has been possible to maintain our work without closing any part of it. May that position be maintained this year.

* See page 14.

W. M. S. ESTIMATES FOR 1935

NATIONAL MISSIONS

HOSPITALS

South Porcupine, Ont.—

Superintendent's Salary	$1,200.00	
Two Nurses' Salaries	1,800.00	
Relief Nurse	225.00	
		$3,225.00

"Hugh Waddell" Memorial Hospital, Canora, Sask.—

Superintendent's Salary	$1,200.00	
Three Nurses' Salaries	2,570.00	
Relief Nurse	300.00	
Fourth Nurse, Salary	600.00	
Coal	1,500.00	
		$6,170.00

"Rolland M. Boswell" Hospital, Vegreville, Alta.—

Superintendent's Salary	$1,200.00	
Two Nurses' Salaries	1,680.00	
Relief Nurse	225.00	
Repairs	100.00	
		$3,205.00
		$12,600.00
X-ray for Vegreville Hospital		1,600.00
		$14,200.00

CHINESE IN CANADA

Montreal, Que.—

Miss Agnes Dickson, Salary	$1,000.00	
Expenses and Room Rent	410.00	
Travelling and Substitute	100.00	
Miss Hattie Jue, Salary	770.00	
Mrs. J. Herman, Salary (part time)	420.00	
Equipment	30.00	
Rent of Y.M.C.I.	175.00	
		$2,905.00

Brockville, Ont.—

Miss H. W. Davies, Honorarium and Expenses	$225.00

Toronto, Ont.—

Miss Esther Armstrong, Salary	$960.00	
Expenses and Supplies (kindergarten)	200.00	
Rent of Y.M.C.I.	300.00	
Miss Lambert, Salary (part time)	240.00	
Mrs. Ma, Honorarium	100.00	
Bible Vacation School	20.00	
Miss Lily Yeung, Salary	600.00	
	$2,420.00	
Less Amount Received as Special Gift	240.00	
		$2,180.00

Vancouver, B.C.—

Miss Ruth Yeandle, Salary	$960.00	
Mrs. G. P. Louie	720.00	
Supplies and Expenses for Two Workers	140.00	
Rent of Chinese Presbyterian Church	200.00	
		$2,020.00

Victoria, B.C.—

Miss G. Scott, Salary	$1,060.00	
Miss Grace Lee, Salary	840.00	
Expenses and Supplies	25.00	
		$1,925.00
Chinese Literature for Saskatchewan		15.00
		$9,270.00

EDUCATIONAL—PRESBYTERIAN RESIDENCES

New Liskeard, Ont.—

Superintendent's Salary	$800.00	
Taxes	350.00	
		$1,150.00

Saskatoon, Sask.—

Superintendent's Salary	$820.00	
House Help	300.00	
Local Improvements, Tax	60.00	
		$1,180.00

Huntingdon, Que.—

Superintendent's Salary	$900.00	
Fuel	400.00	
School Fees	100.00	
Maintenance	200.00	
		$1,600.00

Prince Albert, Sask.—

Superintendent's Salary	$770.00	
Local Improvements, Tax	15.50	
House Help	200.00	
School Fees and Board	150.00	
		$1,135.50

Vegreville, Alta.—

Matron of Boys' Residence, Salary	$720.00	
Matron of Girls' Residence, Salary	850.00	
House Help	480.00	
Fuel	200.00	
Taxes	820.00	
Maintenance	1,500.00	
		$4,570.00
		$9,635.50

INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

Birtle, Man.—

Principal's Salary	$1,350.00	
Matron's Salary	500.00	
Two Teachers' Salaries	1,370.00	
Assistant Matrons (two) Salaries	1,150.00	
Laundry Matron	500.00	
Nurse's Salary	500.00	
Engineer's Salary	600.00	
Water, Light, Fuel	1,225.00	
Taxes on Farm	57.00	
		$7,252.00

Mistawasis, Sask.—

Teacher's Salary, Paid by Government	......	
Board of Children	$150.00	
Maintenance and Fuel	350.00	
		$500.00

"Cecilia Jeffrey" Kenora, Ont.—

Principal's Salary	$1,350.00	
Matron	600.00	
Nurse's Salary	720.00	
Three Teachers' Salaries	2,210.00	
Sewing Matron, Salary	500.00	
Engineer's Salary	720.00	
Water, Light and Fuel	1,200.00	
		$7,300.00
Contingency		120.00
		$15,172.00
Additional probable Per Capita Grant from Department of Indian Affairs		$32,000.00

WELCOME AND WELFARE AND DEACONESS DEPARTMENT

Toronto, Ont.—

Miss Mary Murray, Salary (part time) Hospital Visitor	$605.00	
Expenses	57.50	
Mrs. C. Steinmetz, Salary (part time) Hungarian Work	480.00	
Expenses	57.50	
Mrs. M. Fesenko, Salary (part time) Ukrainian Work	480.00	
Expenses	57.50	
		$1,737.50

Hamilton, Ont.—

Miss M. Allan, Salary	$1,060.00	
Expenses	110.00	
		$1,170.00

Ottawa, Ont.—

Miss Mary Hugill, Salary	$1,210.00	
Expenses	110.00	
		$1,320.00

Montreal, Que.—

Miss Iris Munro, Port Worker, Salary	$1,060.00	
Expenses	135.00	
		$1,195.00

Winnipeg, Man.—		
Miss Hazel Macdonald, Salary	$960.00	
Expenses	110.00	
		$1,070.00
Saskatoon, Sask.—		
Miss Helen Ross, Salary	$960.00	
Expenses	110.00	
		$1,070.00
Regina, Sask.—		
Miss L. Macarthur, Salary	$1,210.00	
Expenses	110.00	
		$1.320.00
Red Deer, Alta.—		
Miss Frieda Matthews, Salary	$960.00	
Expenses	165.00	
		$1,125.00
Peace River District, Alta.— **Wanham, Alta.—**		
Miss Margaret Grigor, Salary	$960.00	
Expenses	250.00	
		$1,210.00
Brownvale, Alta.—		
Miss Mary Todd, Salary	$960.00	
Expenses	110.00	
		$1,070.00
Bekevar, Sask.—		
Mrs. F. Kovacs, Hungarian Work, Salary (part time)	$480.00	
Expenses	57.00	
		$537.50
Vancouver, B.C.—		
Miss Roberta Smith, Salary	$960.00	
Expenses	110.00	
		$1,070.00
Grant to Fresh Air Camp		100.00
Contingency		255.00
		$14,250.00

SUPPLIES

Department Expenditure	$1,600.00
TOTAL OF NATIONAL MISSIONS	$64,127.50

OVERSEAS MISSIONS

INDIA

Bhil Field

Salaries—		
Miss Christine Maxwell	$900.00	
Miss Isabel McConnell	900.00	
Miss M. H. Williamson	900.00	
Miss Ellen I. Douglas	833.00	
Miss I. M. Errey	800.00	
Miss B. M. MacMurchy	800.00	
Miss Mary Sherrick	700.00	
		$5,833.00
Evangelistic	$1,168.00	
Educational	4,590.00	
Medical	4,000.00	
Miscellaneous, Maintenance, Repairs, Taxes, Itinerating	1,410.00	
		$11,168.00
Vacation Allowances		450.00
Language Study		150.00
Return Travel, Miss Williamson		600.00
Furlough Travel, Miss Douglas		600.00
		$18,801.00

Jhansi Field

Salaries—			
Miss F. I. Stringer	$900.00		
Miss A. L. Whatling	900.00		
Miss L. A. Simpson	900.00		
Dr. E. H. Thurrott	800.00		
Miss E. McKechnie	800.00		
Miss Ida M. McSparron	650.00		
		$4,950.00	
Educational	$3,892.00		
Evangelistic	1,200.00		
Orphanage	548.00		
Miscellaneous, Maintenance, Repairs, Taxes and Itinerating	693.00		
Medical	1,395.00		
		$7,728.00	
Vacation Allowances		375.00	
Language Study		240.00	
Return Travel, Miss Simpson		600.00	
			$13,893.00
India—			
Ludhiana Medical College			50.00
St. Christopher's Training School			100.00
			$32,844.00

EXPANSION FOR INDIA

Girls' Hostel, Jhansi	$4,000.00	
Training Home for Nurses and Bible Women in Jobat	2,750.00	
W.M.S. Maternity Ward and Equipment, Jobat Hospital	1,200.00	
		$7,950.00

FORMOSA

Salaries—		
Miss Alma Burdick	$900.00	
Miss Ada Adams	900.00	
Miss Dorothy Douglas	900.00	
Miss Margaret Ramsay	900.00	
Miss Ethel Chisholm	900.00	
Miss Isabel Taylor	900.00	
Miss Hildur Hermanson	800.00	
Miss Mary McVey	800.00	
Miss Phyllis Argall	800.00	
		$7,800.00
Mrs. Koa (Special Worker)		650.00
Educational—		
Girls' School, Maintenance	$3,200.00	
Women's School, Maintenance	200.00	
Kindergarten, Maintenance	500.00	
		$3,900.00
Evangelistic—		
Evangelism	$1,200.00	
Travel	300.00	
		$1,500.00
Hospital		500.00
Miscellaneous—		
W.M.S. Property and House Furnishings	$1,000.00	
Rents	200.00	
Taxes	400.00	
		$1,600.00
Language Study		800.00
Vacation Allowances (6)		450.00
Furlough Return Travel, Misses Douglas, Ramsay and Chisholm		1,200.00
		$18,400.00
"Happy Mount" Chapel (Fifth and Last Instalment)		$1,000.00

CHINA

Manchuria

Bible Women	$400.00	
Christian Literature	100.00	
		$500.00

Shanghai

Grant to Christian Literature Society		50.00

South China

Dr. Jessie MacBean, Salary	$1,000.00	
Rent	150.00	
Vacation Allowance	75.00	
Grant to Hackett Medical College	1,000.00	
		$2,225.00
Grant to Evangelistic Work Under the Church of Christ in China		$1,000.00
		$3,775.00

JAPAN

Salaries—		
Miss Ellen Anderson	$ 983.00	
Miss Jean C. McLean	1,050.00	
		$2,033.00
Bible Women	720.00	
Travel on Field	100.00	
Salaries of Bible Workers	1,700.00	
Kindergartens	1,500.00	
Assistance Bible School Students	150.00	
Tracts and Bible Vacation Schools	200.00	
		$4,370.00
Vacation Allowance		75.00
Furlough Return Travel, Miss McLean		400.00
Rent in Nagoya		100.00
		$6,978.00

BRITISH GUIANA

Expenditure	$1,400.00
TOTAL FOR OVERSEAS MISSIONS	$72,347.00

NEW MISSIONARIES

New Missionaries	$2,900.00

PUBLICATIONS

Literature and "Glad Tidings"

Salaries	$6,760.00	
Office Rent (part)	933.60	
New Publications (Free Leaflets)	275.00	
Annual Reports	1,500.00	
Departmental Tabulated Forms	200.00	
Publications Free to workers—"Glad Tidings" and Study Helps	207.00	
Printing Manual	50.00	
		$9,925.60

ORGANIZATION

*Two Young Women's Secretaries, Salaries	$3,600.00	
Field Secretary, Salary	1,800.00	
Girls' Work Secretary, Salary (part year)	900.00	
Travel Field Secretary, Two Young Women's Secretaries and Girls' Work Secretary	600.00	
Presbyterian Girls' Camps	100.00	
Travelling Expenses, Presbyterial Executives	535.00	
Deputation Work	200.00	
		$7,735.00

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* See page 7.

STUDENT

Department Expenditure		$100.00

CANDIDATES

Department Expenditure		$200.00

LANTERN SLIDES

Boxes, Slides, Prints, Express, etc., ⅛ Expenses of Assembly's Committee		$125.00

LIBRARY

Department Expenditure		$290.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Exchange	$4,000.00	
Interdenominational Christian Literature	250.00	
Grant to Hungarian Literature	120.00	
Canadian School of Missions	425.00	
Federated Fees	225.00	
Grant to Knox College	100.00	
Grant to Deaconess Home	100.00	
Deputation Work	400.00	
Pensions W.M.S. Workers	1,900.00	
Enlarged Council Executive Meeting	1,200.00	
Insurance	796.30	
		$9,516.30

ADMINISTRATION

Salaries	$2,600.00	
Rent (part)	933.60	
Auditing	250.00	
General Expense	1,200.00	
		$4,983.60

SUMMARY

National Missions	$64,127.50	
Overseas Missions	72,347.00	
New Missionaries	2,900.00	
Publications	9,925.60	
Organization	7,735.00	
Student	100.00	
Candidates	200.00	
Lantern Slides	125.00	
Library	290.00	
Miscellaneous	9,516.30	
Administration	4,983.60	
		$172,250.00
Less Amount to be Paid from Legacy Fund for India	$7,950.00	
Less Amount to be Paid from Legacy Fund for Formosa (Chapel)	1,000.00	
Less Amount to be Paid from Legacy Fund for Vegreville Hospital X-ray	1,600.00	
Less Probable Receipts from Hospitals and School Residences	1,700.00	
		$12,250.00
		$160,000.00

It has been agreed by the Council Executive that this Estimate of $160,000 is subject to revision should the income of the Society fall short when all returns are in the end of January.

The Canadian School of Missions

The material for this article has been drawn largely from the Historical Statement and Annual Report of the Director of the School, Rev. J. Lovell Murray, M.A., D.D.—Editor.

NEARLY twenty years ago some of the prominent church leaders in Toronto considered the possibility of establishing an institution for missionary training in Canada. They realized that it could only become possible by the pooling of the interests and resources of the missionary societies of the various churches.

Toronto was selected as the location of the School for various reasons. It is the headquarters of the various Church bodies of Canada. There are always a large number of candidates for overseas service among the students of the city. The majority of Canadian missionaries make their furlough homes in or near Toronto. Moreover it is an important educational centre with a large university, several theological colleges, technical, musical and other institutions, and excellent library facilities.

Negotiations were begun by a provisional committee representing the Boards of the Anglican, Baptist, Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches and the Theological Colleges in Toronto, and eventuated in the official boards accepting the basis of organization and the financial obligations apportioned and naming their representatives on the Council, or governing body, of the institution. In November, 1921, this institution under the name ''The Canadian School of Missions'' was brought into being.

The School has been an evolution. It had no traditions to follow, no precedents to guide. This was a difficulty. But it had this advantage, that the programme and activities of the School were built up around the actual necessities of Boards, candidates and missionaries.

The first idea was that the School should be largely a bureau to guide candidates and missionaries into available courses in various institutions which would be of service to them. The School has continued to make this the base line of its academic work. It offers no courses which are available in the institutions in Toronto. Gradually it became evident that besides three or four central courses on missions, many others, not elsewhere available, and which would be of great value to missionaries, should be offered by the School.

This has resulted in a miscellaneous curriculum of over 38 different courses, varying in length from four to twenty lectures each, and these ranging from phonetics and the missionary message to photography and journalism.

It also became desirable to secure personal tuition in subjects varying from X-ray and book publishing to householding and the care of dogs! Cartooning, baking, poultry raising, analytical plane geometry and oxy-acetylene welding and various branches of music and of medicine are among the subjects for which private lessons were arranged. The aggregate registration for the year 1933-34 in the various courses offered the School was 143, of which number 90 were missionaries representing 9 different countries, 30 were candidates and 23 were visitors. The courses numbered 50 and the instruction staff 90. For all of this no remuneration is given and no fees are asked. Each year individual lectures are given to the School by local authorities on various subjects and, during its history, the curriculum has been enriched by lectures from such distinguished visitors as John R. Mott, J. H. Oldham, Stanley Jones, Samuel Zwemer, Sherwood Eddy, Mr. William Paton, T. Z. Koo, and many other outstanding men. The School also seeks to be of service to candidates and missionaries residing outside of Toronto and to missionaries on the field, through reading courses, advice as to courses of study, suggestions for special research and other ways.

Very early in its history another missionary requirement became evident, *viz.*, the need for increased fellowship among missionaries and candidates, their instructors and the Secretaries and members of their Mission Boards. It was felt that much could be gained through exchanging experiences, discussing common problems and praying together about matters of common interest to all. The oneness of their task, and the making and deepening of friendships was meaning a great deal to the missionary group. The School was becoming a centre of missionary interest and more than any other institution or organization in the Dominion a missionary headquarters for the now 5 co-operating churches—Anglican, Baptist, Disciples, United and Presbyterian.

At first, through the courtesy of the Upper Canada Bible Society a spacious room in their building, 14 College Street, was provided free of charge for the School office. Here three happy comfortable years were spent, but as over 20 different rooms in the city had to be sought for lectures and other meetings, it was decided to seek larger quarters. In 1924 the School rented a few rooms on the ground floor of a residential building, at 207 College Street. Here the School carried on for five years but the work had so increased that this building was found inadequate.

In 1929 a most desirable permanent home was purchased, at 97 St. George St., in close proximity to the University of Toronto, the cooperating Theological Colleges and other institutions, at a cost of $86,000. $25,000 of this amount was contributed by Mr. John D. Rockefeller the balance less some $5,000 was raised by individual subscriptions.

On January 6th, 1930, this spacious, beautiful and well appointed home was dedicated in a simple sincere religious service of thanksgiving to God and reconsecration to His service.

We close this brief sketch of this splendid Canadian institution, in which we as a W.M.S. have a vital interest, and to which we give a yearly grant of $425, with the tribute by John R. Mott, that distinguished missionary leader, given at the close of one of his lectures. He said:

The Chapel, Canadian School of Missions

''Above all one is here vividly conscious of the spirit pervading the institution and its fellowship—the spirit of unity, the spirit of service, the spirit of humility in the earnest quest for deeper knowledge of God and of eager responsiveness to the mind and will of Christ. This makes possible truly creative work. It constitutes a priceless possession.''

This purely Canadian School is maintained solely by grants from the Women's and Men's Boards of the co-operating Churches and therefore belongs jointly to all. Since the beginning Rev. J. Lovell Murray, M.A., D.D., has been the Director of this School and to his vision, knowledge, missionary devotion and tact the success which the School has attained is largely due. —*M.C.G.F.*

The Chapel, Canadian School of Missions

The Royal Institute of British Architects has erected in London a new building to serve as its headquarters and as a headquarters for architecture throughout the Empire. Ample space has been set apart for a pictorial display of buildings and interiors of the highest architectural merit. The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada for example was recently asked to select some of the best Canadian work to date. Upwards of 150 pictures were chosen and forwarded to London. These were gone over carefully by a committee of the Royal Institute and some 20 or 25 were picked out as worthy of a place in the Imperial collection.

These photographs are now being assembled for an Exhibition this autumn—the first undertaking in the new building. They will then be sent on tour to those Overseas Allied Societies which desire to have them, after which they will be hung in the Royal Institute's galleries as the basis of a permanent, representative exhibit of the best in contemporary architecture.

Among the photographs chosen is one of the Chapel of the Canadian School of Missions. This distinction reflects much credit upon the architect, Mr. A. Mackenzie Brydon, M.R.A.I.C., and will be very gratifying to all friends of the School, especially to those who worship and have worshipped in the Chapel.

A Neglected Opportunity

A NEGLECTED opportunity faces the women of our Church today. It is the organization of our younger women for missions. At any Presbyterial or Society meeting, the gray heads predominate. Very few younger women are present, very few young women hold office in either organization, very few societies composed of women under thirty are reported. In short, our work seems to be done by the ''after fifties''.

But what about the coming years? Who will take the place of these devoted women of our Churches who now carry the burdens and accomplish so much? The societies for the younger women are the insurance for the future in which every Women's Missionary Society should invest time and effort. The responsibility for the organization and sponsorship of these groups falls on the older women. Are they discharging this responsibility? No; in many instances they are not. In some of our large churches there are fine, well directed organizations for every age and every purpose except the younger women, the young business women and young matrons.

And what a field! Keen, alert, college trained, alive to need, sympathetic, friendly, charming—the leaders of tomorrow! Why not enlist them *today,* and in their zeal and energy renew our own vigor and enthusiasm?

The writer knows of three such societies, entirely different in plan and purpose but equally successful. Two of these are in a city and one in a small town, but the same general idea could be carried out in any community. The first is a group of young business women who had all grown up together in the same public schools, Sunday School and Church. They were together in everything and had the same tastes and environment. One of their number—with a vision—invited them to her home to an evening party. The guest of honor was the Young Women's Secretary for the Presbyterial Society. They were organized into a Missionary Society almost before they realized it, under the skillful persuasion of the Secretary with the co-operation of the popular hostess.

At first it was a sort of a lark, something new and novel to do; but it was not long before they became thoroughly and genuinely interested in the work. They were fortunate in their sponsor, a teacher of their own age, who made the mission study books very interesting. The group assumed and maintained a large pledge, since they were all employed, and did much charity work beside. The membership was limited—a strange thing for a church organization, but it worked well in this case. When the rare vacancies occurred they were filled by vote and any girl who was asked to join considered herself fortunate. They met for dinner once in two weeks in the church, the meal being prepared by the members in turn, and the study class was held around the table afterward. This Guild was, for a number of years, a power in the church.

The second example is a larger society formed entirely of young matrons. It is called the Lydia Circle. The name Lydia was chosen from Acts 16: 14. A young mother was heard to say that she longed to attend the meetings of the Women's Missionary Society but could not bring her three little children nor could she afford to hire some one to care for them. An older listener asked if there were other young mothers in like situation who might be interested in forming an evening group. Pencil and paper were brought out and a surprisingly long list resulted. Plans were made for invitation and for a meeting at the manse. A large number came, some out of curiosity and some thinking it was to be a new social club, but there were enough who were seriously interested to form a substantial nucleus. The society was enrolled in the Presbyterial Society, accepted an apportionment and entered upon a growth that has been steady and fruitful. The social element has not been neglected. Dinners have been given for the husbands, and many pleasant projects have been fostered. No doubt much of the success is due to the consecrated leadership of the first President who directed the trend of the organization in its incipiency. It is now considered one of the outstanding societies of the Presbyterial.

The third society is the Presbyterian Service Guild. Six years ago there was no organized group of young women in the Church. A Sunday School class was the first activity proposed and from this there came the idea of a society for young business women and young matrons. It has made a steady growth from ten charter members to thirty-five, and this numerical increase is only the outward indication of the greater growth and development of the individual members and of the increasing usefulness of the organization. Of the charter members only two or three had received any missionary training and it was thought best not to emphasize missions too much in the beginning; but missionary interest was speedily fostered by various means.

They were fortunate in having several missionaries on furlough as guest speakers, women whose personality charmed the girls and whose messages touched their hearts. The first study book was *Friends of Africa,* and it was found to be so delightful that further study has been welcomed. Perhaps the greatest incentive in this part of the work has been the Christmas box. The girls make the articles and pack the box at a regular meeting. Everyone has a hand in it—it is not done by a committee.

The social activities of the organization mean much to the members. The mothers are entertained each year, either at the annual Christmas party or at a Valentine party or a Mother's Day celebration. Covered dish suppers, a June picnic, an annual Frolic when original dramatics are presented, are some of the good times.

Contact is maintained with the Women's Missionary Society by a substantial contribution to the treasury, and by the women when they act as hostesses for an annual dinner (the young guests furnishing the programme).

This society is unusual because some of those who joined had no Church affiliation. Several have come into the Church since they entered the Guild and others are in the Guild Sunday School class. Interest in the Church is encouraged through an annual gift.

If one wishes to assume leadership of such a group certain things must be kept in mind. Nothing will be accomplished by a general invitation such as, ''All young women interested in forming a Missionary Society are asked to come to the manse on a certain evening''. They won't come! Instead, select two or three leaders—there are always such—and ask them to come to your home to talk over a new project. Discuss the whole thing freely and get their reaction. If it is favorable—and it will be if it is approached skillfully—then make out a list including every young woman and young matron who seems to be good material for the enterprise. These should be personally invited to the preliminary meeting. This fruit is perishable—it must be hand picked; only personal invitations will get the results.

This first meeting may well be social in nature, with a brief inspirational talk. As to how much of the official organization should be effected at this time depends on circumstances. Do not crowd the missionary education! In many cases few have any missionary background and one must not expect too much. Information precedes interest and must be put in attractive form and in small doses. Be ready to be ''guide, philosopher and friend'' but *never* boss. You will find rare executive ability and efficient leadership—perhaps you may learn something yourself. Direct, be ready to advise and help, but step gradually into the background. Do not be afraid to lay aside your dignity and join in the fun, for fun there must be in the proper time and place—this age group needs it. If they have been standing behind a counter all day, or were up with a colicky baby all night, there is nothing that will do them so much good as a hearty laugh and a jolly time.

It will help any one of mature age to mingle with girls and young women, to know their problems, to look at life from their angle, to study and sing and laugh with them. An evening with a bunch of wide-awake, lively young women will bring back the sparkle to middle-aged eyes and the glow to wrinkled cheeks far quicker than any beauty parlor treatment. Is life a bit dull, has the keen interest of youth and womanhood grown stale, are you bored? Get busy and organize a group of the younger women in your Church—it is a sure cure!—*Floy Lawrence Emhoff in Women and Missions.*

The Annual Report

An Uninteresting Title

MRS. D. A. SMITH, VANCOUVER

THE title doesn't sound interesting, does it? But the report really is. It is a wonderful up-to-the-minute encyclopædia of our W.M.S. work.

For a long time we have felt that the blue-covered Annual Report book was of very little use to the membership as a whole. Those of us who received a copy by reason of some official position, read it through, then put it away among our reference books, and that was usually the end of it.

This year we are trying a new plan. We have divided the list of Auxiliary members into as many parts as there are report copies in the church. One of these lists is pasted to the inside front cover together with the following instructions—''This book may be kept one week (or two, if possible). When you have read it, score off your name and pass it on to the next person on the list.''

In this way we hope to initiate every W.M.S. member into the mystery and delight of the Annual Report; and help them realize that it is not a dull collection of dry facts, but a living, vital story of our hardworking, consecrated workers.

Who said ''Comparisons are odious''? They need not be. When made in a friendly spirit they may act as a stimulus to our work. Let every member study out for herself just how her Auxiliary, Y.W.A., Girls' Organization or Mission Band compares with other groups in the Presbyterial. It is an interesting study.

Information produces interest; interest creates enthusiasm; and enthusiasm is the flame by which our work is spread.

Let us make this one of our aims for 1935—''Every member in Canada to read the Annual Report''.

The First Wedding in "Cecilia Jeffrey" Indian Residential School

AN interesting wedding was solemnized at the ''Cecilia Jeffrey'' Indian Residential School, Kenora, Ont., on Wednesday evening, October 24th, when Miss Bella Begg, member of staff of the School was united in marriage to Mr. John Handorgan of Oak Island, Minnesota.

The ceremony was performed, under a canopy of white, in the School chapel, by the Rev. W. L. Atkinson, Kenora. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss May Begg, and was given away by Mr. E. W. Byers, Principal of the School. After the ceremony a wedding dinner was served, at the close of which Mr. and Mrs. Handorgan were presented with a china tea set, the gift of the staff.

This is the first Church wedding amongst the Indians since the School began its mission at Shoal Lake.

Miss Begg has long been associated with the ''Cecilia Jeffrey'' School and its work, graduating from its training, to assume matronship of its laundry, of which department she has remained in charge for the past five years. Early in her school life she became an active worker in the Church, and was instrumental in weaning her father and her sisters from the darkness of Ojibway superstition to the light of the faith which she had adopted and loved.

Speaking of the School and its influence at a Winnipeg Presbyterial meeting last February, Miss Begg said, ''No words can express what the School has meant to me personally; but for its work not only my family, but many of the Indians who are my people, would yet be submerged in their sad paganism.''

LANTERN WANTED

The request has come for a lantern for Okanase Reserve. For information apply to Mrs. W. H. Fletcher, 154 High Park Ave., Toronto, Ontario.

A Bit of Romance

"BROCKVILLE had its first Chinese wedding with all the trappings that go with a large church ceremony, including bridesmaids, maid of honor, flower girl, ushers and music, with 125 guests, including many of Brockville's well-known residents, sitting within flower-decked pews. A reception followed the conducting of the ceremony in the First Presbyterian Church by the minister, Rev. D. MacOdrum, D.D. The organist, Harold Albery, L.R.S.M., played the wedding march as the bride, Miss Lena Mae Hong, aged 22, born in Brockville, was accompanied to the altar by her father, Hong Tim. The groom was Dick Geu Lowe of Toronto, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hing Lowe, of Kunghoy, Canton, China. The bride is the first Chinese girl born in Brockville. She has been a resident of Brockville all her life, with the exception of two years spent in China following the death of her mother. She attended the public schools of the town with distinction in every class, and subsequently graduated from the collegiate institute. The couple, after a honeymoon trip, will reside in Toronto."

Miss Lena Mae Hong, now Mrs. Lowe, is a Christian girl and a member of the Presbyterian Church in Brockville, and expects to unite with Knox Church, Toronto. She was also a member of the Brockville W.M.S. and attended the meetings every month with Miss Davies, our worker there, whose loving service to the Chinese throughout the years has brought such rich results.

Early Days in the West

THE Thank-offering meeting of the "James Nisbet" Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church, Prince Albert, was of special interest. The programme centred around two historic events, the organization and growth of the first Presbyterian W.M.S. in Canada in 1864, and the inception of the "James Nisbet" Auxiliary in 1906. Four of the charter members of the Auxiliary were present, Mrs. J. W. Moore, of Mistawasis Indian Reserve, Mrs. G. Mills, Mrs. G. Will and Mrs. D. J. Rose. Others living in Prince Albert and vicinity are Mrs. Mack, Mrs. J. B. Kernaghan, Mrs. F. Wright and Mrs. W. A. Johnston. A scripture reading was given by Mrs. Will followed with prayer by Mrs. Moore. Mrs. Rose recalled memories associated with the organization meeting, held in Miss L. Baker's home and read the names of the charter members. Mrs. J. W. Moore, the first president, gave a very interesting address. Sent out by the Foreign Mission Board from Galt, Ont., in 1887 as the first teacher in the Portage la Prairie Indian Boarding School, she told of some of the hardships endured at that time when she was supervisor, cook and teacher. A pageant representing the growth of the W.M.S. during the past seventy years, arranged by Miss Hazel MacDonald, was a very interesting feature. Miss I. McDonald sang a solo. Refreshments were served from tables decorated with yellow and bronze chrysanthemums. A birthday cake with seven candles, each representing ten years, was cut by Mrs. Mills, who is an Honorary Member of the Provincial W.M.S. and was the first teacher to the Indians at Mistawasis. Mrs. Mills is the only surviving member in the city of the Nisbet party which came to Prince Albert in 1866.

Impressive Celebration at Weyburn

ON November 5th, Weyburn Auxiliary held their Thank-offering meeting in the form of a birthday party celebrating the 70th anniversary of the Presbyterian W.M.S. in Canada. They had a lovely decorated three-tiered birthday cake with seven candles.

The first part of the meeting was carried on in the usual way but Mrs. W. A. Cameron was in charge of the ceremony of the birthday cake and the lighting of the candles.

All the members stood while Mrs. Cameron called on: *(1) Mrs. Ecklin,* 32 years a member. In loving memory of the Christian women who founded our Society. *(2) Mrs. Stavely,* President of the Moose Jaw Presbyterial. In honor of the present membership, 16,989 active members who have caught the torch from fallen hands with the prayer that we may prove true to our trust. *(3) Mrs. Simpson.* We light this candle with grateful hearts for the service that our missionaries who are home on furlough have rendered, especially Miss L. A. Simpson, Jhansi, India. May she find great joy in her service for the Master. *(4) Mrs. Sherrick.* With love we think of those on active service at home and abroad and in particular Mary Sherrick, Amkhut, India, who in a special way is very close to us. *(5) Mrs. Stinchcombe,* leader of the Daughters of the Kirk. It is with hope we light this candle in honor of the 4,612 young women and girls who are training for leadership and service. *(6) Mrs. T. Douglas.* In Remembrance of the central place given the child by Christ we pay tribute to the boys and girls of our Mission Band who by their pennies support the whole work of our Society the first day of each month. *(7) Mrs. W. A. Cameron.* With thanksgiving and praise for God's guidance through the 70 years that have passed may all join in the Doxology. Mrs. Cameron quoted the words written above as each lady lit her candle. Mrs. H. A. Stavely closed the meeting with prayer.

The winding ways of our yesterday
Were a-glow with God's good cheer
So we turn to face with a smiling grace
The paths of another year. —*Alice M. Kyle.*

Prayer for the New Year

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, in Whom we live and move and have our being, as we enter this new year enable us "to feel the strength that surrounds us, to follow the light that indwells us and to avail ourselves of the wisdom Thou givest liberally to all who ask of Thee". On this opening month of another year, we would remember before Thee, in prayer: our fields of India, Formosa, Japan, China, British Guiana, with all their possibilities; our missionaries who have returned with fresh zeal to the work or those still on furlough; our hospitals, school residences and deaconess work throughout Canada, giving thanks for the loyal workers and the encouragement that has come in the work. Grant us in the coming year a sense of expectancy in all our work and faith to prepare for the fulfilment of our hopes. We thank Thee for the work of the W.M.S. during the past seventy years and for the confidence we have that God blesses and accepts our work. We praise Thee for the growing interest of our young people in missions and for the new branches that have been formed among the children, girls and young women, and for their felt power of zeal and enthusiasm; for the loyalty of our members; the answers to prayer and the interest and wide outlook which has resulted from sharing in missionary service at home and overseas. Enable us, we pray Thee, to interest the uninterested, to be more faithful stewards of our time, talents and means, and fit us by Thy grace for Thy service in this the day of our opportunity. We ask it with the forgiveness of all our sins in the name of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Housing

DR. HELEN MACMURCHY, C.B.E.

"CALVIN knew very well that you cannot make a Christian state in the air. It must have a fit material environment . . . streets must be clean and water must be pure . . . He was not ashamed to discourse from the pulpit to the people on public cleanliness, on sewers and wells and latrines, and 'things which it is unseemly even to mention'.

On the site of Calvin's house in Geneva today stands the Bureau de Salubrité (Bureau of Public Health), and there is an unconscious fitness in the location. Geneva could not have become the envy of Europe in sanitation and industry as it did, without the application of Christian principles to street and market-place. Christ must purify wells, as well as wills.''—*Rev. Prof. Donald MacKenzie, D.D., in the Quarterly Register of the Presbyterian Alliance.*

Christian principles need to be applied to the question of Housing in Canada. The recent report of the Lieutenant-Governor's Committee on Housing Conditions in Toronto tells of slums, of vermin, of filth, of the unspeakable condition of ''things which it is unseemly even to mention''.

The report is a call to action; its recommendations are good; they can be carried out. Ontario and Canada look to the Queen City to give a lead for good housing. A Christian city which has just celebrated her centenary, and which is now known to be really three hundred years old, cannot begin her new century better than by making decent housing possible for her poor and unemployed.

It is a call to action as well to every reader of *Glad Tidings* all over Canada and beyond. Wherever you live, work to prevent slums and work to remove slums. Women have great influence in this working in cordial co-operation with men.

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

THE interest in books of a suitable quality for reading in a Christian home, and books of missionary interest which inform us of customs and conditions of other lands, has been increasing steadily, and the Publications Committee appreciates more than words can convey, the loyalty and co-operation given by the Literature Secretaries from coast to coast in making the literature conveniently available to our members and friends.

The New Year brings new hopes, new visions and new aims, to develop a stock of, if possible, even greater interest. It also brings the desire to clear out much that has been left over from the old. Hence the following suggestions, many books are reduced in price, and represent only a few copies, which while they last will be sold at the following prices:

FAMILY WORSHIP, by Nicol McNicol, a splendid book of worship containing suitable scripture selections and prayers; only a few left at $1.00.

YARNS, AFRICAN PIONEERS, AMIYA, A BENGALI GIRL, and all the Yarns series, are splendid books for young leaders, containing vivid missionary stories. State the kind of stories you wish—35c. each.

RAINBOW MISSIONARY STORIES, by Stella Ruddy (Aunt Stella), are stories of a very fine type, and can be used at almost any kind of meeting, or for a Sunday School class. Price each $1.50. A splendid group or library book.

Many books for leaders will be cleared at stock-taking. They cannot be listed since there are only one or two titles in each. If you wish a book on India, China or Japan, or for programme helps, tell us what you would like and one or two will be sent on approval at reduced prices.

IN THE STEPS OF THE MASTER, by H. V. Morton, combines all the charm of ''In Search of Scotland'', and his other favorites, with a travel through Palestine. So vivid it will send half the people back to their Bibles and the other half to Palestine. Price each $2.50.

LEAF OF THE LOTUS, by Dr. Margaret O'Hara, is still the finest picture we have of the early days in India. Price each $1.50.

YOUNG WOMEN

THE NEW YEAR DAWNS

The year is over with its pain and tears,
Drifting the way of all forgotten years.
We close the door on yesterday and see
Another open on Infinity.—*Anne Campbell.*

A GREAT curtain veils from each one of us the hidden things to be revealed little by little each passing day in the New Year. May the New Year each day, as it unfolds itself in the circle of time, reveal to each one of us the joy of service.

As we turn the corner and enter the New Year, let us take one last backward look at what we have accomplished during the past year. Let us face our problems and seek their solution. Has our Auxiliary increased in membership? Have our programmes been well planned and interesting? Has there been any lack of interest in our meetings? Has each member given willingly of her time, her talents, her means?

As we enter this new door of opportunity, let us try some new methods to advance our work. Appoint a membership committee, each member of which will be responsible for enlisting one new member during the year. Appoint a programme committee to plan a year's study, or appoint a programme committee each month to plan the study for the next meeting. Appoint a ''Watch Tower'' Secretary to give, each month, some interesting items from the *Glad Tidings.* Plan to give some faithful member a Life Membership. What are you going to do with 1935?

To many of us, the new and untried way will reveal new possibilities and avenues of service. Let us meet them with loving service, goodwill and faithful stewardship.

"Ring out the old, Ring in the new."

—*Fergie D. Holman.*

GOOD IDEAS

A THREE-PLUS-ONE Luncheon is described in the *Missionary Review of the World.* The entire membership of the women's society was divided into threes, one strong member on each group serving as chairman. Each group then met to arrange the details of a table for four and to determine what non-member they should go after to fill the fourth place. If not successful in their first choice, they went after another woman, and in the event of final failure the place remained empty. For the luncheon, groups formed in order according to the numbers on their tables and entered the dining room under arches made of autumn leaves and flags. One member in each group took all four plates to the kitchen for self-service, another took care of the needs as the luncheon progressed, while the third removed the plates and served the dessert. At each plate had been placed an envelope and pencil with instructions that the member place in the former all or as much of her dues as possible. After a programme feature on giving, the treasurer, carrying a lighted candle and accompanied by the secretary, went from table to table collecting the envelopes and lighting the individual candles wherever dues had been paid. Opportunity was given for each group to introduce its new member. The dues and the lighted·candle were then placed at the foot of a large map on which were plainly indicated the Missionary institutions in which the society was interested.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR NEW SECRETARY

Dear Leaders and Girls:

WITH the New Year comes your new Secretary. First I would like to wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year.

I am following a trail which has been well marked by your former Secretary, Miss Muriel Gray. She has given of herself freely to build a sure foundation for the work among Presbyterian girls in Canada. It is my hope that with your continued loyalty and support we may strengthen the work which she has so well begun. If there is one thing I would wish for us all, this year, as we pray, plan, work and play together for the bringing in of Christ's kingdom on earth, it is that we should be aware. This is well expressed in the following poem by Miriam Terchnen:

Awareness

God—let me be aware,
Let me not stumble blindly down the ways,
Just getting somehow safely through the days,
Not even groping for another hand,
Not even wondering how it all was planned,
Eyes to the ground unseeking for the light,
Soul never aching for a wild winged flight,
Please keep me eager just to do my share
God—let me be aware.

God—let me be aware,
Stab my soul fiercely with others' pain,
Let me walk seeing honor, and stain,
Let my hands groping find other hands,
Give me the heart that divines, understands,
Give me the courage, wounded, to fight,
Flood me with knowledge, drench me in light
Please—keep me eager just to do my share
God—let me be aware.

And speaking of awareness, I do hope you are aware of our study book on Young Japan, by Mabel Gardner Kerschner, also the ''Nine Programme Trails'' that goes with it, by our own Girls' Work Secretary, O. Mary Hill. I am sure you will all be busy making your posters and planning for C.G.I.T. week which is the week of February 3rd to 10th.

Trusting that you will have a very happy year,

Your Secretary,
Jean Kelman

MISSION BANDS

THE NEW YEAR IN A CHINESE HOME

Mrs. James Dickson, Taihoku, Formosa

FAR up on the mountainside a tired mother was putting her children to sleep. One by one she had called them in from their play in the gathering darkness, and now four little heads, resting side by side on the wide bed, were all that could be seen above the heavy coverlet.

Hushing their whispering to one another, she blew out the candle nearest them, and then stepped to the open door-way to gaze out into the coming night. Her heart was heavy within her, although tomorrow night would be New Year's eve, the happiest time of all the year in a Chinese home. For it is at this time all members of each family, though scattered far and wide, must return to their own home, that each family circle might be complete on this one great occasion of the year.

''We have fat young chicken to make our feast,'' she murmured to herself. ''And this year rice and vegetables are plentiful. I should be happy, but . . . I keep thinking of Iu-a.''

Last year, Iu-a, the little eight-year-old girl, had had to be sold.

''Our gods must be angry with us,'' Kho-a, her husband, had said to her despairingly at this time last year, ''Though I do not know why. I have stopped to burn incense at the shrine, and we carry offerings there as often as any of our neighbors. But our water buffalo is today sick unto death, and our rice will not be enough to last. We shall have to sell Iu-a.''

The frightened little girl had overheard the words and crept into her mother's arms, and all night had clung to her, sick with terror of the unknown months ahead.

''It is nearly a year now,'' mused the woman thoughtfully, ''and I have never been happy since.''

Suddenly from the shade of the overhanging bushes she saw a dark shadow detach itself, and a sobbing little figure ran towards her in the dark. Swiftly she went to meet it.

''Iu-a!'' she whispered urgently.

''Mother, oh, mother! I had to come. Oh, I tell you that woman's heart is bad. Every day she beats me. I had to come and see your face once more.''

''Hush, child! You must speak more quietly. Your father may come home at any time now. He is an honest man, as you know, and would return you at once, although at heart he rues as much as I do our having to part with you. Listen, I will hide you in the old charcoal cellar, and I will come to you in the night and you can tell me all then.''

A few hours later she rejoined her daughter, and cautiously they whispered together, bridging the long months of silence. And although she flinched and turned pale in hearing all her child had suffered, she made no other sign of sympathy than to clasp her hand more tightly as if she would never let her go again.

''I have prayed to the gods until I thought my heart would break with longing,'' commented her mother bitterly at last. ''But I cannot help but feel that their hearts are as hard as their cold stone faces. All that I prayed for you has come to nought. For, look you, tomorrow the whole world will prepare its glad red banners to welcome in the New Year, and bright new clothes to wear when calling on friends. But you and I, in spite of all my incense and prayers, will still be sad and full of dread lest they discover you.''

''Mother, I have prayed to a new God. In the village not far from us lived a man whom people called a Christian. Every night he gathered his children about him and told them stories of this ''true and living God'' and His Son, Jesus, Who loves even little children. I used to run away to this man's house, and he taught me to pray too. I am sure this God will hear our prayers.''

''I would like to hear more of this God, child, but . . . I must go now. Here is food for the morrow. I will keep you here for one more day while I try to think of what we can do for you.''

The next day, shortly after mid-day, an elderly man stopped at the door.

''Are you the mother of Iu-a, the girl who was sold to the woman, Koan-na, in the village below?'' he asked, while his keen though kindly eyes searched her face.

''Yes,'' she answered simply but her heart beat suffocatingly.

''We have six families of Christians in this village,'' he went on, ''and we have become much interested in Iu-a, who came often to my house. We know too the life she led. We have bargained with the woman, Koan-na, and bound ourselves to pay to her the price of the child, so that she need not return there. You will, doubtless, know where the child is. God bless you both,—I will come back again.''

Stunned and unbelieving, she gazed after his retreating figure long after he was lost to sight.

Far into the night the little mother, now too happy to sleep, pondered the things that she had heard,—''the true and living God'', ''who loves even little children'' and ''who answers prayers''. Old bitter thoughts were leaving her, and new sweet thoughts were taking their place. When at last she slept, high over the mountain's brow, the first light of the new day was breaking. The New Year had come, not only on the mountain-top, but also in the heart of a humble woman who had made her first contact with God.

Leaders' Corner

Dear Mission Band Leaders:

THIS year is to be a Leaders' year and so in our ''Corner'' this month I am listing the ''helps'' we have for you in your work.

Organization Ceremony.—This is an order of service for the meeting at which the Band is organized. (Free).

Membership Card.—These cards have been prepared for all Mission Banders. There is space for the member's name and the Leader's signature. I hope that all Leaders will send for these so that each child will have her own card. (Free).

Membership Pin.—Small colored pins (50 cents a dozen).

Leaders' Leaflet.—Every Leader should have one of these as they contain information about the organization and administration of the Band. (Free).

Study Book.—Study books are prepared for two years. The second part of ''Flowers in Far Fields'' is the study for this year (September, 1934–June, 1935). This contains material for the study meetings, programmes for the worship service and a list of articles children can make on work days. (Price 35 cents).

Prayer Cards.—These cards are for the individual members to take home. They have four short prayers printed on them, which the children are asked to memorize. (Free).

Beginners' Bands.—This leaflet has suggestions that have proved helpful in work with the younger children. (Free).

Boys' Work.—This contains suggestions for the boys of the Band. (Free).

Flag Ceremony.—A short ceremony in which the Union Jack and the flag of our Church are used. (Free).

Leaders can find more direct information about the work of our W.M.S. in the **Glad Tidings** than anywhere else. Every leader should have her own file of *Glad Tidings.* As she reads them month by month she should list, in a little book, the articles she thinks would be useful, placing them under separate headings as ''Formosa'', ''Supply Work'', etc., indicating the month, year and page on which they appeared. If she does this, she will know just where to turn for up-to-date information. Another suggestion is a *Tidings* scrap book, arranged under different headings. The older girls and boys could help with this. (Price, per year, 35c. in church bundles, or 50c. for single copies).

Annual Report.—All Leaders receive a copy of this and it is useful to give accurate information about our Society and our work.

Leadership Training Course.—This has been prepared by the Religious Education Council of Canada. Its object is to suggest how Mission Band Leaders may become efficient and successful in their work. (Price 35 cents).

Graduation Ceremony.—There is no age limit for Mission Bands but when girls enter their ''Teens'' and feel that they are beyond Mission Band, they should graduate into one of our Girls' Organizations. This ceremony has been prepared for this purpose. (Free).

Graduation Certificate.—To present all Mission Banders when they graduate. (Free).

Missionary stories, books for prizes, scrap books, recitation books, books of songs, pictures and mite boxes, as well as all the above mentioned helps may be ordered from the W.M.S. Publications Office, Room 700, 372 Bay Street, Toronto.

With best wishes to you all for the coming year,

Yours sincerely,
B. K. Riddell.

This list should be kept for reference.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

Mrs. J. M. Moodie, 2719, 14th St. W., Calgary, Press Secretary

CALGARY P.S.—The meeting of the Associate Missionary Society of Grace Church, Calgary, was exceptionally well attended. Mrs. May Chadwick gave an interesting address on ''The Status of Women in the East''. Plans were made for the winter's activities, among them being the care of a family—a mother and four children—the group leaders to make arrangements for sewing meetings, for this purpose.

Edmonton P.S.—Miss O. Mary Hill, Girls' Work Secretary, had a very busy and active week in Edmonton. She addressed a rally of the girls' groups on Tuesday evening, a Leaders' meeting on Saturday evening, and on Sunday spoke at four Sunday School meetings. All these meetings were well attended.

Mrs. C. Oscroft presided at the annual Mission Band rally held in First Church, Edmonton. All the city Bands were represented. Rev. Chas. and Mrs. Young, of India, were the speakers. They showed lantern slides of their work and sang hymns in Hindustani.

Mrs. Young and Mrs. Sykes, Presbyterial President, also addressed the Girls' Club and Mission Band at Rupert St. Church where work of both organizations was on display.

''Work of Canadian missionaries among the Bhils, or untouchable classes of India'' was described by Rev. Chas. and Mrs. Young, at a banquet in St. Andrew's Church, Edmonton. The banquet was held under the auspices of St. Andrew's W.M.S. and was part of the ''coming of age'' celebration of the Church, which recently marked its 21st year in Edmonton. Members of the Society presented a pageant portraying in tableau the history of the organization in St. Andrew's Church.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Mrs. W. J. Smith, Box 138, Armstrong, Press Secretary

WESTMINSTER P.S.—Under the auspices of the Vancouver Mission Band Leaders' Council a rally of Vancouver Mission Bands was held in Mt. Pleasant Church. The Bands were well represented and responded to the roll call by Scripture verse or chorus, also being responsible for the opening devotions. Mrs. T. Deas presided and Mrs. Jas. Herd gave a talk on our work among the Koreans in Japan, using the new slides, ''Cherry Blossom Land''. Miss Roberta Smith, deaconess, attended to the lantern. Refreshments were served at the close.

A successful tea and sale of home cooking was held by First Presbyterian Church W.M.S., Prince Rupert.

Victoria P.S.—The Goforth Mission Band, of St. Andrew's Church, held a successful Thank-offering tea and sale of work. A splendid programme was rendered by the little girls, and the articles made by them were both beautiful and useful. In a few years our ranks will be refilled by these younger members who are being well trained under their able leader, Mrs. M. Fuller.

Knox Church, W.M.S., Victoria, was privileged to have Mrs. Owen Campbell, of Montreal, as guest speaker for November. Mrs. Campbell, who knows W.M.S. work from coast to coast, gave an inspirational talk on the work and its difficulties, the only solution of the latter being more love and interest through prayer. Knox Church Young Women's Home Helpers Circle held a birthday tea recently, the members and guests being dressed in costumes representing different countries.

MANITOBA

MRS. GEO. A. T. LECKIE, 1457 WINNIPEG AVE., WINNIPEG, PRESS SECRETARY

BRANDON P.S.—Neepawa W.M.S. held a combined Thank-offering and anniversary remembrance of the 70 years history of the W.M.S. on Sabbath morning. Mrs. Flook was the speaker and a letter from Dr. O'Hara was read by Mrs. Gemmell. Many ministers were among the congregation but the service was conducted by the ladies, twenty-five of whom occupied seats on the platform. Many beautiful flowers decorated the Church.

Mrs. Flook invited the Provincial Board and some friends to meet and welcome Miss O. Mary Hill. There was a discussion on how to interest young people in mission work. Miss McDonald, Student Secretary, and the former Secretary were a great help. Miss Hill visited many places in Manitoba. She spoke to 40 young people at Calvin Church.

Winnipeg P.S.—''Golden Sheaf'' Mission Band, First Church, Winnipeg, had a successful Thank-offering meeting. A programme of songs and readings was given by the children. Dr. Ellen Douglas gave a delightful talk on her trip to China, and displayed samples of antiques made by the Chinese.

There was a record attendance at the Thank-offering meeting of the Goodwill All Peoples Mission, Gonor. The offering amounted to $6. Papers on reasons for Thanksgiving were read by some of the members and the President gave an impressive address on being fully given up to God. Refreshments were served by Miss Innes.

Kildonan Church Auxiliary celebrated the 70th anniversary of the W.M.S. at the home of Mrs. Wm. McKay. Mrs. B. Anderson presided. Two interesting addresses were given, one on the history of the W.M.S., by Mrs. McKay, the other by Mrs. Flook on a visit to the ''Cecilia

Jeffrey'' School, Kenora, the Presbyterial at Fort William and the Council meeting in Montreal. A beautifully decorated birthday cake centered the tea table.

Calvin Church Auxiliary celebrated the 70th anniversary of the W.M.S. at their Thank-offering meeting. Addresses were delivered by Mrs. W. McKay, Kildonan Church, Mrs. Geo. Leckie, Calvin Church, Mrs. J. S. Hutchison, First Church, and Mrs. W. Martin, Presbyterial President. The Mission Band and Girls' Guild supplied musical numbers. Mrs. Scott presided. Mrs. Flook and Mrs. Kee presided at the cake centered table.

In order to save expenses, the semi-annual meeting of the Provincial Board took the form of a round table conference. It was held in First Church, Winnipeg, Nov. 14th, when the problems of the different Secretaries were considered and solved. Mrs. Flook presided. Reports of this meeting were sent to the three Presbyterials, also an explanation for the change from a semi-annual to a round table conference.

Mrs. H. A. Robson gave a fine address. Many of the members later attended the open meeting of Synod.

ONTARIO

Mrs. J. R. Sanderson, 166 Hammersmith Ave., Toronto, Press Secretary

THE following are extracts from a letter the Board received from Rev. J. and Mrs. Goforth, Peilailo Beach, Hopie, China:

> ''The message to us from the Ontario Provincial Society, meeting in Hamilton, has touched us both deeply. It is hard to express what your message meant to us, reaching us when my husband was seriously ill. What a difference these extra greetings make in life. The Lord bless each of you who had part in sending this message. We are both now facing the sunset, but how much we have to praise God for. He is permitting us to see undreamed of fruit for our labor. You will read elsewhere of the movement in sections of our field where hundreds of families are turning to Christ. Beloved sisters, we ask your prayers that we may be spared to do our part for a while longer. We have come to this beautiful place by the sea, hoping the air and rest will completely restore my husband. He is much improved and we look forward to returning to Manchuria and our beloved work there.
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> ''Loving greetings from us both,
>
> *J. and Rosalind Goforth.''*

Collingwood Y.W.A. Thank-offering was addressed by Miss Nellie Smith, Toronto, who pictured the value of the Y.W.A. to the W.M.S. Miss M. Southerland, Cookstown, formerly of Japan, spoke to the Alliston Aux., and Dr. Margaret O'Hara, veteran missionary, gave an illustrated talk at Midland. Penetanguishene heard Miss Whitelan, dressed in Korean costume tell of the history and mode of life of the people. Meaford was addressed by Mrs. Hemming, home from the Ceylon and Indian Mission, who told many interesting things of that distant land. Mrs. N. R. D. Sinclair, Allandale, addressed a combined Thank-offering and 70th birthday party at Barrie, Mrs. J. McL. Stevenson, one of the oldest members, cutting the cake.

Pleasure and benefit were derived from the addresses of Miss Marion Williamson in North Bay P.S., where she visited all Auxiliaries. Miss Williamson was present in 1927 at the organization of this Presbyterial. Parry Sound Aux. reports $25.00 raised in their gold boxes.

Paisley, Bruce and Owen Sound P.S., combined their Thank-offering and birthday party, their minister, Rev. A. H. Wilson, addressing them. A piece of birthday cake was sent to each family in the congregation with a printed message, telling the story of 70 years' service of the W.M.S. and asking the prayers and interest of the recipients. Tiverton reports a good meeting with Mrs. W. F. Adams, Toronto, giving an inspirational message.

Thank-offerings meetings in Brockville P.S. were held at Cardinal, the Mission Band assisting with programme and presenting Junior Certificates to Agnes Murphy, Anne Eastman, Eldred Wells, and a Life Membership to Mrs. Fred. Jackson, assistant leader. The ''Sunshine'' Class gave a Life Membership to Mrs. Roy Byers, and the Auxiliary, Life Memberships to Mrs. James Byers and Mrs. James Gow. Mrs. W. D. Turner, Winchester, spoke on Japan. Rev. R. C. Archer and Rev. W. D. Turner, gave messages of encouragement. At Pittston, a Thank-offering exercise was given by the Beginners Band (the first organized). Mrs. J. R. Hill, Ottawa, spoke on ''The Women of the New Testament'' visualizing them as a missionary society. She also addressed a rally of young people in Iroquois. Y.W. Auxiliaries, C.G.I.T. Groups and Mission Bands from most congregations in the Presbyterial were present. Winchester Band, winner of the 1933 banner, presented a playette ''Homes Around the World''. Mrs. James Riddell gave a short message to the young people. Rev. W. D. Turner awarded six Junior Certificates to members of different Bands, Mrs. N. Hunter presenting the pins.

Atwood Aux., Stratford P.S., celebrated its Golden Jubilee, being organized in 1884 by Mrs. Gordon, mother of ''Ralph Connor''. So few attended that first meeting that the women just sat on a log in the church yard; now there are six W.M.S. organizations in the Church. Lighted candles were placed to represent these Societies, each reporting its achievements. The Mission Band sang, to covenanter's tune, Psalm 23, Jack Roe, of Calder Band, telling a Bible story. Rev. W. J. West praised the splendid spirit created by the W.M.S. The birthday cake was cut by Mrs. R. Knox, a member for 49 years, she was presented with flowers.

Forty years of missionary work in Grace Church, Millbrook, Peterborough P.S., was celebrated in conjunction with the 70th anniversary. The minister, Rev. H. R. Williams, with Mrs. Jas. Dutton, Mrs. H. B.

Cowan and Mrs. H. W. Morgan, Peterborough, gave interesting talks. St. Paul's Aux., Peterborough, celebrated their 58th anniversary jointly with the 70th of the Society. This Auxiliary was first organized as ''A Woman's Working Society for Missionary and Charitable Objects''. In 1883, it was changed to St. Paul's W.F.M.S. Their annual report of 1887 tells that, Rev. Jonathan and Mrs. Goforth were present, heartily welcomed and bidden God speed in their work beginning in China. Mrs. H. B. Cowan related the history of the Society. Flowers were presented to Mrs. A. A. Goodfellow. The cake was made and donated by Mrs. Jennie Hall Marsh.

St. John's Church Aux., Grimsby, also held a joint celebration. Mrs. W. I. McLean, Hamilton, was guest speaker. A book was presented to the oldest member. A social hour followed.

QUEBEC

MRS. J. D. ANDERSON, 108 ELLICE ST., BEAUHARNOIS, PRESS SECRETARY

THE regular quarterly meeting of the Montreal Presbyterial was held in Knox Crescent Church, the President presiding. Representatives attended from 20 city Auxiliaries. Out of town Auxiliaries were represented by 5 members from Athelstan, 4 from Ormstown, 2 from Lachute and 1 from Georgetown. The devotional exercises were conducted by members of St. Andrew and St. Paul Auxiliary.

The Treasurer's statement showed receipts to date of $8,508.13, an increase of $466 over last year at the same date. Forwarded to Provincial Treasurer $7,400. In reporting for the Special Campaign Fund, Mrs. J. W. Dougherty stated that a total of $1,200 had been contributed and forwarded. A balance of $965 remains to be collected. Twenty-four Churches have contributed to the Fund, twelve have not been heard from.

All reports evinced faithful and devoted work on the part of leaders and members alike. Home Helpers Secretary reported many visits of comfort and good cheer paid to shut-in members. Visiting personally and by telephone call are considered very important activities in this department. A substantial order for hymn books gave much encouragement to the Literature Secretary. Many excellent papers are available in the Exchange Department. The Supply Secretary acknowledged generous contributions. Bales have been forwarded to Mission Fields and Indian Reserves at Elphinstone, The Pas and Pouce Coupe. Five Honorary, 3 In Memoriam and 11 Life Memberships were issued, also one silver seal and a final payment for a Life Membership. Total receipts $910.

Following the presentation of reports the meeting was open for conference and discussion on topics brought forward by the President and Vice-Presidents. Matters relating to the successful conduct of meetings, increase of membership, increase of interest and finances were discussed and helpful suggestions made.

A happy event took place in the Chinese kindergarten, Montreal, when the little folks presented Miss M. Johnston, a beloved voluntary worker among them, with a silver comport on the occasion of her marriage, on December 29th. Miss Johnston is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robt. Johnston, Ottawa.

Quebec P.S. reports a helpful sectional meeting held at Asbestos at which Miss C. E. Cameron, President of the Provincial, gave timely suggestions and encouragement. Mrs. Stalker, of Windsor Mills, presided.

Inverness Auxiliary had as guest speaker at their Thank-offering meeting Mrs. James McKelvie of Lennoxville. The offering amounted to $48.00. Mrs. McKelvie also spoke at the monthly meeting on our work in Formosa.

SASKATCHEWAN

MRS. E. G. D. MACEACHERN, 1934 VICTORIA AVE., REGINA, PRESS SECRETARY

MOOSE JAW P.S.—Briercrest Auxiliary recently commemorated the 70th anniversary of the W.M.S. Forty visitors and members were present. An interesting programme was given, Mrs. Hillson speaking on the ''Forward Outlook''. A helpful letter from Mrs. Stavely was read. At the close of the meeting the company gathered in the church parlors when Mrs. C. Findlay and Mrs. J. Glen, the two senior members, were each presented with a beautiful bouquet. Mrs. Findlay had the honor of cutting the birthday cake. The young ladies of the congregation assisted in serving.

Knox Church Auxiliary, Moose Jaw, celebrated the 70th anniversary of the W.M.S. at their Thank-offering meeting. An interesting programme was enjoyed. Mrs. A. B. Bennett reviewed the history of the Society from its inception, in 1864, and Mrs. J. A. Thomson gave an address on the subject, ''Looking Forward with the Dream of the Years—The World for Christ.'' The two oldest members present, Mrs. George Ross and Mrs. A. Dalgarno, were presented with roses. In the tea room, the birthday cake was the center of attraction, with its decoration of seven candles and inscription ''70th Anniversary W.M.S. of Presbyterian Church in Canada''.

Knox Church W.M.S., Moose Jaw, held a successful tea at the home of Mrs. J. Gordon Ross, 58 guests being present.

St. Paul's W.M.S., Moose Jaw, held their Thank-offering and Birthday tea together. Mrs. G. S. Baulch was guest speaker.

Saskatoon P.S.—Mrs. C. P. Young, of India, guest speaker at the Thank-offering meeting of St. Andrew's W.M.S., Saskatoon, spoke on ''Women as we find them in India''. Mrs. Young had a number of costumes and curios to illustrate her talk. The following Sunday Rev. C. P. Young took the service in St. Andrew's Church and gave an interesting illustrated address on another phase of our work in the Bhil Field, India.

At the sub-executive meeting of the Presbyterial, finances were discussed. It was decided, instead of calling a full executive meeting, to hold the Presbyterial annual meeting as early in the new year as possible.

Treasurer's Statement

November, 1934

RECEIPTS

Government Grant for "Cecilia Jeffrey" Indian School	$4,538.14
Government Grant for Birtle Indian School	3,884.52
Rent of Bungalow in Japan from Eastern Division	30.00
Ladies' Aid, Feversham	2.00
PROVINCIAL GIVINGS:	
Alberta	480.00
British Columbia	550.00
Ontario	12,300.00
Quebec	1,800.00
Saskatchewan	345.00
	$23,929.66

DISBURSEMENTS

Hospitals:	
South Porcupine	$ 245.82
Canora	625.99
Vegreville	382.91
Chinese in Canada	728.83
"Cecilia Jeffrey" Indian School	568.66
Birtle Indian School	712.00
Government Grant, Birtle Indian School	$3,884.52
Government Grant, "Cecilia Jeffrey" Indian School	4,538.14
Presbyterian Residences:	
Huntingdon	75.00
Prince Albert	89.16
New Liskeard	66.66
Saskatoon	68.33
Vegreville	349.23
Welcome and Welfare	1,219.12
Publications	567.93
Organization	579.99
Deputation	75.00
Library	42.38
Candidate	7.00
Pensions	116.66
Supplies	58.95
Student	12.83
Miscellaneous	10.00
India:	
Bhil Field	115.00
Jhansi Field	160.00
Formosa	655.98
Japan	87.50
British Guiana	166.00
China	750.00
Exchange	6.23
Administration	513.74
	$17,479.56

RESERVE FUND

RECEIPTS:

Legacy from the Estate of Elizabeth Barber Brown	$75.00	
Legacy from the Estate of Mrs. Louise Bailey through the Orillia Auxiliary for installing electric lights at Amkhut	300.00	
Legacy from the Estate of Miss Janet Beatty, Lansdowne, through the Church of the Covenant	200.00	
Interest on Legacy account	265.50	
Sale of McCrea property, Sustaining Fund	56.85	
Interest on Sustaining Fund	272.50	
Interest on Pension Fund	468.43	
Interest on Formosa Forward Movement Fund	330.56	
		$1,968.84

DISBURSEMENTS:

Relief Work in the West, Sustaining Fund	$ 100.00

(MRS. DANIEL) HELEN M. STRACHAN,

Treasurer.

New Organizations

Manitoba

Brandon P.S.—"Rainbow" M.B., Elphinstone.

Superior P.S.—Boys' "Burning Bush", West Fort William.

Ontario

Algoma P.S.—Y.W.A., St. Paul's Ch., Sault Ste. Marie.

Barrie P.S.—Tottenham Presbyterian Ch. M.B.

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Editorial

"God is a spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in Truth."

The World Day of Prayer

FRIDAY, March 8th, will see the observance of the World Day of Prayer. On that day, the women of Canada will unite in prayer with the women of the world, in a continuing service, beginning in New Zealand and the Fiji Islands and ending approximately forty hours later in Honolulu. In that time the women of more than fifty countries will unite their prayers and pledge themselves to bear one another's burdens.

Work on the programme for this service was begun in 1932 in Herrnhut, Germany, during the meeting of the International Missionary Council, and was developed by the Baroness van Boetzelaer van Dubbeldam, of Holland. It has been translated into many languages and will be used in more than fifty countries.

Today, there are more reasons for praying than ever, for there are so many baffling problems, and the demands on our physical, mental, and spiritual strength seem greater than we can face. Therefore, let every woman and girl in our Church pledge herself to share with the other women and girls in the community in this strength giving service.

The Diamond Jubilee of our Church

OUR Church will, this year, celebrate her Diamond Jubilee. Last year, our Women's Missionary Society observed, by Birthday programmes, our Seventieth Anniversary, the story of which was told in the booklet, "Seventy Years of Progress". In many and interesting ways the past was reviewed and enthusiasm for the future renewed.

This year we are asked to join with other organizations in making 1935 a great Jubilee Year, not only in the Church as a whole, but in each congregation.

On June 15th, 1875, sixty years ago, at the General Assembly held in Montreal, a union of Churches took place which marked the beginning of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. It included the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces; Synod of the Maritime Provinces of British North America; Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Canada in

Connection with the Church of Scotland; and Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Church.

As early as 1598, Huguenot (Calvinistic) pioneers and ministers settled under De Monts in Acadia, and from that time the foundations were gradually laid for the growth of the various branches which were joined together in 1875, and became the Presbyterian Church in Canada. This young Church grew with the country, and progressed under the brave flag of Presbyterianism. Brilliant names appear on her honor roll. Great missionaries and strong ministers have helped in the building of her temple, and we as a Society have reason to be proud of the women, whose names also adorn the historical roll. The years have given us such missionary heroines as Miss Lucy M. Baker, Dr. A. Caroline Macdonald, Dr. Jessie MacBean, Miss Agnes Dickson, Dr. Margaret O'Hara, Miss Bertha Robson, and many others worthy of mention. We would particularly recall the many brave women, wives of ministers who left home and loved ones, to go with their husbands to the frontier fields in the early days. Their courage no one can measure.

And we would remember the women, who through the years, in the face of difficulty and limited resources, followed the gleam of world service for the Master and link by link built up our Society. Today our President Miss Bessie MacMurchy, is President of the International Union of Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches of the world.

In paying fitting tribute to the past, let us put the history and tradition of our Church before the youth of today, that they may be inspired to rise up, and follow in the footsteps of the pioneers who have gone before and shown us the way.—L.B.

The Late Mrs. Mary Baker McQuesten

THE passing away, on December 7th, of Mrs. McQuesten, of Hamilton, widow of Isaac Baldwin McQuesten, has removed a beloved officer of the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada and one whose service from the early days of the Society has run like a silver thread through its history.

As far back as 1887 Mrs. McQuesten's name appears as Secretary of the Union Society in Hamilton, an earlier organization than the Hamilton Presbyterial, which was so named because the membership was composed of women representing the five Presbyterian congregations in the city.

Mrs. McQuesten was born in Brantford, Ontario, 86 years ago. She was the daughter of Mary McIlwaine and Commander Thomas Baker, R.N., who served as First Lieutenant on *H.M.S. St. Lawrence* in 1814 on Lake Ontario, and many years later as a missionary in Upper Canada of the London Missionary Society.

Mrs. McQuesten was one of the founders of the Woman's Foreign

Missionary Society in Hamilton. She was President for upwards of twenty-five years of McNab Street Church Auxiliary; Honorary President of the Hamilton Presbyterial; Vice-President and later Honorary President of Ontario Provincial Society.

At the impressive church service which was attended by almost the entire Cabinet of the Province of Ontario, representatives of the Council Executive and Provincial and Presbyterial W.M.S. Boards and friends, Rev. Beverley Ketchen, D.D., who officiated, thus referred to this brilliant and gracious lady:

The Late Mrs. M. B. McQuesten

''Mrs. McQuesten had a real Puritanical sense of right and wrong. Her uncompromising conscience would not countenance anything that was not utterly honourable, but with all that inflexible integrity were blended a very great kindliness and the graciousness of the true lady.

''She was an aristrocrat by birth and breeding; she was an aristocrat intellectually and spiritually too. Many of you who knew her only in public life saw perhaps only the brilliant side of her—admired the remarkable intellect, the thoroughly trained and well-informed mind, and realized the force and influence of an exceptionally strong personality.

''But it was in the home that she was at her best—where her wit sparkled most and where her gentleness overshadowed her cleverness. To see her in the home or about the garden she loved, was to think inevitably of lavendar and old lace.''

''For three score years and ten Mrs. McQuesten has been one of the most conspicuous Christian workers and spiritual forces, not only in this congregation and community, but in the Church at large . . . missionary work was her ruling passion.''

The sympathy of the Women's Missionary Society goes out in fullest measure to Mrs. McQuesten's sons: The Honorable T. B. McQuesten, Minister of Highways for Ontario, and the Rev. Calvin M. McQuesten; and her three daughters, in the great loss which they have sustained.

A Beloved Worker Among the Chinese Dies

DEATH came with startling suddenness to Miss Alice MacDougall, a beloved friend and worker among the Chinese in Toronto for the past twenty-five years, when the train on which she and her aged father were travelling was wrecked near Dundas, Ontario, on Christmas night.

For twenty years Miss MacDougall taught the senior class of Chinese boys in Cooke's Sabbath School. She also taught one of the classes in the Chinese primary Sunday School, which met an hour before the main school. In addition, she was for a long time Secretary of the Eastern Canada Chinese Convention and also its Treasurer. Her work among the Chinese, very dear to her heart, was characterized by devotion of time, love and money. As Miss Dickson says, ''No one will ever know what her sympathy and wise counsel meant to her boys. In her death the Toronto Chinese have lost one of their best friends.''

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. A. R. Skinner, B.A., assisted by Rev. John MacMillan, formerly a missionary to China and the Philippines, Dr. George Lee, Mr. George Mark and other Chinese men.

The following letter from Mr. George P. Mark, is a beautiful tribute to the service rendered the Chinese by this talented and consecrated worker.

''At your request I am sending you a list of *some* of the outstanding students, who were taught by Miss MacDougall in her famous Sunday School class at Cooke's Presbyterian Church, Toronto, during the past 20 years, and who acquired high position in our motherland through the influence and inspiration of Miss Alice MacDougall in their younger days. Miss MacDougall helped them spiritually as well as intellectually and often even materially.

''We often wonder how many Sunday School teachers would be able to inspire so many students to overcome their life obstacles and become better citizens.

''It is very sad to think of the tragedy that happened to such a good life led by Miss MacDougall. We all know that she is happy with her Lord and Master Who would say, 'Thou art faithful even to the end, enter into thy Master's house for everlasting blessing.' Miss MacDougall is not dead but is living in those who were inspired by her.

''Dr. George G. Lee, a graduate of the University of Toronto in medicine, rendered nearly two years' service to the Canton Hospital; Dr. May Ing, also a graduate of the University of Toronto in medicine and a post-graduate of the University of New York, is now practising in Hongkong; Mr. Peter Mark, a graduate of the University of Michigan, is now employed by the Greater Shanghai Municipal Electric System as an electrical engineer; Mr. Peter E. Wong, a former under-graduate of the University of Toronto, is an editor of the *Chinese Republic,* a monthly magazine published in English in Shanghai; Miss Fannie Lee, a graduate of the Margaret

Eaton School, Toronto, in Physical Education, is now teaching physical culture at the Diocesan Girls' School, Hongkong; Miss Jean Mark, a former student of Victoria College and a graduate of the Margaret Eaton School, Toronto, in Physical Education, and also a graduate in a business course at the Dominion Business College of Toronto, taught physical education for two years at the Soochow University and is now in the Government services in the Hongkong branch of the Chinese Government Maritime Customs; Miss Agnes Mark, a graduate of the University of Toronto, is now serving in Chinese Red Cross Hospital at Shanghai; Miss Annie Lang, a graduate of the Toronto Women's College Hospital as a nurse, served a hospital in Soochow for nearly two years; Miss Fei Wong, a graduate of the University of Toronto in Arts, is teaching at the Ling-nan University at Canton; Mr. Lang Wong, a graduate of the University of Toronto in the School of Practical Science and also a Master of Science of the same University, is now serving in Canton; Mr. Pak-sing Lem, a graduate of the University of Michigan as an Engineer, is now teaching in Canton; Mr. Fan Wong, a graduate of M. I. T. as an Engineer, is now serving in North China.''

WESTERN RELIEF

Mrs. Horne, Regina, Sask., reports that she has received a generous supply of clothing and requests that no bales be shipped to her after **February first.** It is a matter of great satisfaction that our members have so generously responded to the call of the West.

''Though sundered far by faith they meet, Around one common mercy-seat''.

By Georgiana Merrill Root

ON the first Friday in Lent, February 16, 1934, dawned the eighth World Day of Prayer, to the casual observer a day no different from every other day of the year, but to the initiated a day long anticipated and big with blessing for a troubled world.

For many months the Christian women of the world had been preparing for this day. So great was the interest that 250,000 programmes were sold, for the most part in the United States, and 500,000 Calls to Prayer were given away. The interest was not confined to our country. Miss Zona Smith, writing to Miss Tyler from Buenos Aires, said: ''I have been sending out Day of Prayer programmes in answer to orders since September 2nd. Today I received an order from a city in Argentina for 100 copies. In all I have sent out to foreign countries 2,656 copies, of course all in Spanish.''

It will thrill you to get a vision of the praying groups from the list of countries to which the New York office sent a copy of the programme: Africa (North, South and Central), Argentina, Australia, Austria, Brazil, British Guiana, Bulgaria, Burma, Chile, China, Colombia, Cuba, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Egypt, England, Fiji Islands, Finland, France, Guatemala, Germany, Greece, Holland, Honduras, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Korea, Mexico, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Paraguay, Persia, Philippine Islands, Poland, Puerto Rico, Salvador, Scotland, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Uruguay, Venezuela, West Indies. The Mission Boards also sent copies of the programme to their Mission Stations.

Let your imagination picture the scene as group after group joins in the tide of prayer, each in turn as the earth revolves. Does it not recall the description in Revelation: ''I beheld, and lo, a great multitude which no man could number, of all nations and kindreds and people and tongues''? What but prayer could remove the insurmountable barriers of distance, race or language, and make it possible to say:

''There is a spot where spirits blend,
Where friend holds fellowship with friend.
Though sundered far by faith they meet,
Around one common mercy-seat.''

The day began in New Zealand and the Fiji Islands with a sunrise prayer meeting, lengthened to forty hours, and closed in Hawaii with evening services for young people.

We can share the experiences of our far-away sisters through letters sent to Miss Tyler, letters which, as we read, will quicken our endeavor and fervor for our next Day of Prayer on March 8, 1935.

Because the subject of our prayer was ''peace'' it is most fitting to quote first from Miss Mary Dingman, Secretary of the World's Y.W.C.A. at Geneva, Switzerland, the seat of the League of Nations, man's first attempt to establish the machinery of peace. She writes: ''I think it very remarkable the way in which the observance of this day has spread. The stories told by simple women the world over are very inspiring. You may be sure we shall observe the day here at our World's office, and thousands of our members will undoubtedly be among those who take part in the various countries. It is especially heart-warming to have the emphasis on peace this year. We certainly need it. We in Europe feel that we live in a most troubled period, and do not know from day to day when the situation may grow more menacing.'' And who will deny that prayer is not the most potent and vital force to bring in peace? None but God can know what was wrought that day as hundreds of thousands of praying women claimed the promise: ''If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it.'' And no one that day was shut out from the privilege of prayer. The youngest as well as the oldest, the simple and unlearned as well as the scholar and the sage, all praying in love and faith were heard.

Our next message is from Buenos Aires: ''The World Day of Prayer was observed by a group of English-speaking women last Friday, February 16, at 5 p.m. in St. John's Pro-Cathedral (Anglican), with Mrs. Commissioner Carpenter of the Salvation Army presiding. Some sixty or seventy were present. The following Churches and groups were present: Anglican, Baptist, Church of Christ, Scientist, Disciples of Christ, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Salvation Army, Toc H, and the Y.W.C.A. To Mrs. Carpenter's reverent and impressive leading was due much of the spirit of prayer that prevailed.''

Also from British Guiana, the Rev. W. A. Deane, Superintendent of the A.M.E. Zion Church: ''We observed in all our churches here the World Day of Prayer.''

Africa's efforts to reach all classes and ages and link them with the chain of prayer deserve emulation by all leaders. In Cape Town ''75 posters were displayed on bulletin boards of churches and public halls. Special invitations were sent to young women, and to the natives invitations in their own language. At 5 a.m. native women marched around, singing hymns and announcing the meetings of which there were five in all. The programmes were in three languages.'' From Johannesburg: ''The Day was much more widely observed throughout South Africa this year, fresh towns and country districts linking up. Women in isolated farm homesteads sent for programmes and united with their unseen sisters in the great chain of intercession for peace. Some places made it a real DAY of prayer by meeting for nine hours consecutively. In Johannesburg a very helpful, blessed time was spent for six and one-half consecutive hours. Separate meetings were held for the Bantu women. Many travelled great distances to attend. Approximately 800 were present. Their spirit of worship and reverence called forth much praise and admiration from the European ladies present. This year we were able to arrange a meeting for the Indian women which was greatly enjoyed. Many factories were visited during the women's lunch hour, and a meeting held in their respective rest rooms. This is the first year that the factories have been reached. The response was gladdening, practically every girl in the factory attending. The Committee feel they were directly led to 'go out' to these young girls and women. They will now be visited each year. An interesting extension of our work this year was with the Jewish women. A portion of their evening service in one of their Synagogues was devoted to the subject of peace. The Rabbi expressed appreciation at their being asked to join the women of the world on that day. They came in goodly numbers. It was quite an experience to witness the sincere way in which they entered into the spirit of the day.''

From Egypt: ''At 6.30 we went to the dining room to have morning prayers with our girls as usual. After prayers I was surprised to see them all rise from their chairs and go to their bedrooms; then I learned that, with the exception of the five year olds every child in the boarding department was planning to fast on this, the Christians 'Day of Prayer'. The whole school joined in a special service at 10 a.m. Each class had its special burden of prayer. China with its floods; India with its earthquake; Austria, France and Japan with their difficulties were all remembered. The eight year olds prayed for America. I was ashamed when I heard them plead that God would take away the wine and strong drink from our beloved America. The five year olds prayed for Egypt and our own school, its teachers and children. They were so quiet and reverent, and so glad to have a part in this great chain of prayer. Surely God has blessed us richly today. Our hearts are filled with joy and peace and love.''

Miss Austin, of India, writes: ''We in Gurujat have for three previous years adapted and used the World Day of Prayer programme.''

Perhaps the most touching letter of all comes from Mrs. Shabez, of Persia: ''Dear Friends, though I am poor in English writing I think it will appreciate you to hear our report on World Day of Prayer. We are a group of Assyrians. We have a Presbyterian Church. My husband is pastor. We are celebrating women World Day of Prayer since 1932. Mrs. John Elder gave me a programme. I transilated it into Syriac and since then we are doing the same. Really we have great blessings in our Church, the women and girls all talking, praying, singing and promising to do their best to Christ. We are starting from 10 till 5 o'clock. We had one hundred and thirty attendance. Fifty took part by reading of Scripture, praying and talking.''

Coming home after our far wanderings it is good to learn that the Day was observed in every State in our Union, as well as in Alaska. No community was too small to have its meeting. An interesting account comes from Dobbs Ferry, New York with its three Churches, Episcopal, Methodist and Presbyterian. These Churches take turns as to the meeting place, and the programme is divided among the women of the Churches. That they might share the experiences of other parts of the world four of their ladies were dressed as an African, a Hindu, a Japanese and a Kentucky mountain girl respectively, each bringing a message from her country as to what the Day of Prayer meant to her sisters.

A County Federation of Women's Church Associations comprising eighty Churches and twelve denominations in Worcester, Mass., had an attendance of over 600. Their meeting was heralded in the early morning by the ringing of the chimes and a broadcast giving the history of the Day. The meeting was held morning and afternoon, closing with a Communion Service at which twelve ministers, each representing a different denomination, assisted.

To what end has this résumé been sent you? Not that you may read and lay it aside, but that the methods tried by other groups may quicken you to new endeavor. Do you, like Africa, use many posters and have some impressive way of announcing your meeting? Do you organize the children and young people for a meeting of their own? Do you carry the message to the factories? Do you broadcast? Do you close with a Communion Service? Let us put new life and purpose into the coming Day of Prayer on March 8, 1935. The programme for that day has been prepared by the Baroness van Boetzelaer van Dubbeldam of Holland, and its subject is: ''Bear Ye One Another's Burdens'', surely a timely subject for this burdened world. Mankind as never before is bearing the burden of poverty, hunger, unemployment, and in his bitterness of soul has lost sight of the heavenly Father. Children are burdened with sorrows that never belonged to childhood. Oppression and injustice are intolerable burdens that many faint beneath. For all so burdened we are bidden ''to pray for a quickened conscience toward the world's burden bearers; courage to stand for the right without equivocation; justice for all, without respect to race, class or creed; willingness to accept the sacrifices which may be necessary for us all in the building of a better world; understanding between nations, races, classes and individuals, all summed up the words of Paul: 'Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ'.''

The Presbyterian Missionary and Deaconess Training Home

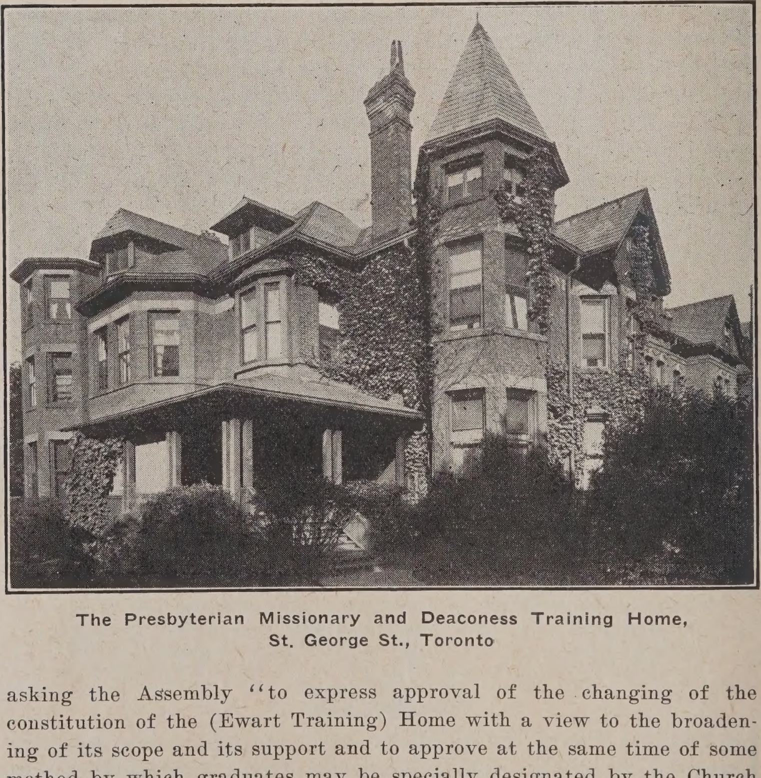
An article descriptive of the origin and history of the second institution to which we as a Women's Missionary Society give a yearly grant of $100. The information contained in this article has been drawn largely from the official reports of this splendid institution of our Church to which we as a Society owe so much.—EDITOR.

Historical Note

IN 1897, the Ewart Training Home came into existence to meet the necessity for special training for women foreign missionaries. From 1897 to June, 1908, the Ewart Training Home was supported by the Women's Foreign Missionary Society (W.D.), and was under the joint management of that Society and the Foreign Mission Committee. During these eleven years, twenty-six of its graduate students were sent out to foreign fields, while a few entered on work in Canada.

From the Board responsible for the Ewart Home issued the initial suggestion for the extension of its scope. Throughout the Church opinion was growing that women were required in the Church's home service. This found expression in 1907 when the Presbytery of Winnipeg and the Synod of Manitoba overtured the General Assembly asking it "to take steps to set apart an order of women who shall be known as deaconesses, who shall serve the Church as nurses, visitors, dispensers of charity and in any other way that may prove to be desirable."

At the same time the Presbytery of Toronto presented an overture, asking the Assembly "to express approval of the changing of the constitution of the (Ewart Training) Home with a view to the broadening of its scope and its support and to approve at the same time of some method by which graduates may be specially designated by the Church when entering their work."



The Presbyterian Missionary and Deaconess Training Home,
St. George St., Toronto

By authority of the General Assembly of 1908 the scope of the Ewart Training Home was enlarged to include the training of the newly instituted Order of Deaconesses.

The Board of Management of the Training Home, consisting of ministers, laymen and representatives of the Women's Missionary Societies of the Church was appointed by Assembly and charged meantime also with responsibility for oversight of Deaconess work.

The original School was domiciled in a rented house on Church Street, occupied for a short time previous to her death by Mrs. Thomas Ewart, the beloved President of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, who with her fellow members of the W.F.M.S. had felt the great need for a place of preparation for women candidates. In 1899, the School moved to 74 Charles Street. With larger numbers accompanying the enlarged functions of the School, in 1908, a new abode was again necessary. This time the move was made to the fine property at 60 Grosvenor Street, Toronto. The name was changed to the ''Presbyterian Missionary and Deaconess Training Home'', marking its enlarged functions.

From its inception, in 1897, the service rendered the Church through the Training Home has been made possible through the service of the staff of Knox College. They generously adopted the work. Generous service has also been given by individual lecturers and supervisors.

The policy of the School has been throughout to utilize available courses adapted to the need of students.

The graduates are in every Mission field of the Church. They are in every department of Church service open to them in Canada.

The first Superintendent of the Home was Mrs. Anna Ross. She was followed in office by Mrs. Livingstone, who resigned in 1913. Miss Margaret A. Grant (now Mrs. Thomas McMillan) held the office from 1913 to 1918 when Miss Jean E. Macdonald, B.A., was appointed Principal.

In June, 1925, a change came to the Presbyterian Church when the United Church of Canada was formed. This meant that the properties held must be distributed by a Federal Commission between those Presbyterians who went into Union and those remaining in the Presbyterian Church. Pending the decision of the Commission about the Training Home at 60 Grosvenor Street, the Presbyterian Church continued the work of their Training Home in a rented furnished house at 104 Bedford Road.

Miss Winifred Ferguson was appointed Principal in March, 1927, and, subsequent to the decision of the Federal Commission, by which 60 Grosvenor Street was given to the United Church of Canada, a permanent location for the prosecution of the work was secured at 156 St. George Street, Toronto.

Purpose

The purpose of the Training School is to train young women for every department of Church work:

Overseas Missionaries

The Training School is the only institution in the Presbyterian Church in Canada in which volunteers for overseas service can receive definite preparation for their work. In 1930 one-half of the graduating class received appointments abroad under the Women's Missionary Society.

Home Missionaries

It is from the ranks of the graduates of the Training School that the Home Mission Board may find recruits for Home Mission Work. These students go into neglected and out-lying districts, establish Sunday Schools, organize young people as active Church members, teach in Indian Schools, and Church Schools, staff Redemptive Homes and Settlements, visit hospitals and prisons, welcome and advise new settlers, and make house to house visitations in foreign sections.

Deaconesses, Pastors' Assistants

There is a growing demand for Deaconesses and Pastors' Assistants, who undertake secretarial duties, visit the sick, and assist in young people's activities. Typing and stenography are valuable assets for this kind of service.

Directors of Religious Education, Bible Teachers, Voluntary Workers in Home Churches

It is the purpose and ideal of the Training School to produce graduates with a gift for organization and leadership who will prove inspirational teachers and organizers for all young people's work, including camps and summer schools.

As the trend of the Public School System of Education is becoming more and more secular, there arises the necessity for Trained Bible Teachers not only for Sunday Schools but for residential schools and denominational colleges. A university degree would be required for such posts.

Circumstances may arise which would prevent a graduate from engaging in active service. Returning to her home Church she forms a nucleus of sympathy and understanding and becomes a competent and practical help in all church activities.

Aims

1. That, as circumstances permit, the personnel of the student-body be representative of Canada, both in its extent and its peoples.

2. That the daily lives of the students be planned on a foundation of truth and right living.

3. That the spiritual life of the school be manifest not only in prayer and worship but in the practice of a Christ-like spirit to one another and in a faithful and cheerful performance of common duties.

4. That methods of mission-work, of personal evangelism and all organized church work be learned not only by theory in the classroom, but by observation and experience in the various churches and institutions of the city.

5. That a high standard of scholarship be the ideal and goal of each student, with the realization that the work of the Church requires the finest qualities of heart and mind.

6. That the Bible continue to hold its rightful place as the revealed word of God, and that the pupil learn how to use the Bible in the development of her own Christian life and in winning others to Christ.

General Survey, 1933

Twenty-five years ago the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home was established by order of the General Assembly.

The history of the institution falls naturally into two sections. The years preceding and the years succeeding the establishment of the United Church of Canada.

This survey will deal only with the years succeeding 1926, a period of seven years. During this period in which the domicile of the Home was changed from 60 Grosvenor Street to 156 St. George Street, 60 students have been registered. Of these 43 have taken the prescribed two-year Deaconess Training Course, and 17 have been part-time students with professional and academic standing and for the most part under the direction of the W.M.S. as accepted candidates for definite fields.

A list of these fields and varied occupations reveals a contribution by these students and graduates to every department and to every field of our Church's activities—as congregational deaconesses, as deaconesses-at-large, a name which includes those engaged in port-work, welcome and welfare, hospital visiting, organization of C.G.I.T. Groups, Mission Bands, Young People's groups, Sunday Schools and congregations, perhaps even the erection of a Church building, to relief in all its gracious forms, and to the truly national work of bringing the benefits of the Church to new Canadians, Ukrainians, Hungarian, Chinese, and to the teaching and care of our own Canadian Indian women and children. As teachers, nurses, and evangelists to Formosa, Koreans in Japan, India and British Guiana. Who can estimate the value of their Christian womanhood?

At the present time we estimate that there are 51 in active service, 28 in Canada, and 23 in overseas fields, a few having records of veteran service of 20 years and more.

If in a cycle of seven years filled with distractions of re-organization and financial problems the Church has been able not only to inspire but also to employ and to profit to such extent from the consecrated service of its young womanhood, can there be any doubt of the high destiny of our Church and the Christian quality of its young people?

World Day of Prayer Programme

MARCH 8, 1935

Theme: Bear Ye One Another's Burdens

The programme prepared by the Baroness Van Boetzelaer Van Dubbeldam of Holland, Vice-Chairman of the International Missionary Council, is in some form being used by Christian women throughout the world.

Quiet Music

LEADER: *O give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good: For His mercy endureth for ever.*

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom He gathered out of the lands, from the East and from the West, from the North and from the South.

Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men! *(Ps. 107: 1, 2, 3, 8.)*

Hymn—"O Master of the Waking World." Tune: *Melita.*

O Master of the waking world,
Who hast the nations in Thy heart,—
The heart that bled and broke to send
God's love to earth's remotest part,—
Show us anew in Calvary
The wondrous power that makes men free.

On every side the walls are down,
The gates swing wide to every land,
The restless tribes and races feel
The pressure of Thy piercèd hand;
Thy way is in the sea and air,
Thy world is open everywhere.

We hear the throb of surging life,
The clank of chains, the curse of greed,
The moan of pain, the futile cries
Of superstition's cruel creed;
The peoples hunger for Thee, Lord,
The isles are waiting for Thy word.

Thy witness in the souls of men,
Thy Spirit's ceaseless, brooding power,
In lands where shadows hide the light,
Await a new creative hour;
O mighty God, set us aflame
To show the glory of Thy Name.
Amen.

LEADER: Prayer.

The Law of God

Responsive Reading

LEADER: Ye shall be holy: for I the Lord your God am holy. (Lev. 19: 2)

RESPONSE: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. (Lev. 19: 18)

LEADER: Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow. (Is. 1: 17)

RESPONSE: Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land. (Deut. 15: 11)

LEADER: He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker: but he that honoreth him hath mercy on the poor. (Prov. 14: 31)

RESPONSE: The rich and poor meet together: the Lord is the maker of them all. (Prov. 22: 2)

LEADER: Ye shall not therefore oppress one another; but thou shalt fear thy God: for I am the Lord your God. (Lev. 25: 17)

RESPONSE: Cursed be he that perverteth the judgment of the stranger, fatherless, and widow. (Deut. 27: 19)

LEADER: That which is altogether just shalt thou follow. (Deut. 16: 20)

RESPONSE: The stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself. I am the Lord your God. (Lev. 19: 34)

Prayer (in unison)

O Lord, our God, we confess before Thee, that we have again broken Thy holy law. Time and again we fail in our reverence, where we ought to manifest it; in mercy, when it is asked from us; in sympathy with those who are wanting it; in willingness to serve our fellow-men; in hospitality to strangers; in love to our neighbor.

Give us a true repentance, and forgive us for the sake of Him, who has borne our sins on the Cross.

Give us a sincere intention henceforward more earnestly to strive after the accomplishing of Thy will, to the glory of Thy holy Name and the welfare of our neighbor. Amen.

Hymn—"Jesus Lover of My Soul." Tune: *Hollingside.*

The New Commandment

LEADER: Jesus said: A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another. (John 13. 34, 35)

Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thine enemy: But I say unto you, Love your enemies, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; that ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven; for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. (Matt. 5: 43, 44, 45)

Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them. (Matt. 7: 12)

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. (Matt. 7: 21)

Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in Heaven is perfect. (Matt. 5: 48)

Period of Thanksgiving

LEADER: Let us give Thanks for the Day of Prayer which makes us conscious of the common needs of Christianity—which are ours also.

SILENCE for one minute.

LEADER: Let us pray for the growing consciousness among Christians of the shortcomings of the individual Christian, which so grievously obscure the witness of the Christian Church as a whole, and let us pray for the practice of love towards our neighbor and the bearing of one another's burdens.

SILENCE for one minute.

LEADER: Let us pray—For the opportunities which the present offers to women to dedicate their lives to the service of their neighbors.

SILENCE for one minute.

Hymn—"Go, Labor On." Tune: *Pentecost.*

Our Pattern

Responsive Reading

LEADER: And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?

RESPONSE: He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou?

LEADER: And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and will all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself.

RESPONSE: And He said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live.

LEADER: But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbor?

RESPONSE: And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead.

RESPONSE: And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

LEADER: And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side.

RESPONSE: But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him.

LEADER: And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

RESPONSE: And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him: and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

LEADER: Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbor unto him that fell among the thieves?

RESPONSE: And he said, He that shewed mercy on him.

LEADER: Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

(Luke 10: 25-37)

Prayer (in unison)

O Lord, Thou showest us how to serve and help our neighbor, we pray Thee, give us open eyes for the needs that surround us and for the task which is ours.

Keep us from holding ourselves back from that part of the work in Thy Kingdom for which Thou hast destined us, by our place in life, by the talents Thou hast entrusted to us, by the gifts of the heart and the mind Thou hast in some way, and in some measure, given to all of us.

Make us faithful in Thy service, and may we understand that what we do unto the least of Thy brethren, is done to Thee.

Give us the vision of what the present demands of Christian women in all lands.

Make us see that we cannot rest content with the works of former generations.

Give us that burning desire to know and to do Thy will, which our fathers have known, that we may, in our own generation, follow the light in the new untrodden paths, Thou art continually showing Thy children.

O Christ, give us Thy Spirit, that we may be enabled to do Thy will. Amen.

Hymn, or Solo, followed by a well-informed speaker on the origin and purpose of the World Day of Prayer.

Offering

Dedication of Offering

Bear Ye One Another's Burdens

Responsive Reading

LEADER: Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. (Gal. 6: 2)

Let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth. (1 John 3: 18)

Let us not be weary in well-doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. So then, as we have opportunity let us work that which is good toward all men. (Gal. 6: 9, 10)

If it be possible, as much as in you lieth, be at peace with all men. (Rom. 12: 18)

Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good. (Rom. 12: 20, 21)

We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let every one of us please his neighbor for his good to edification. For even Christ pleased not himself. (Rom. 15: 1, 2, 3)

LEADER: Let us pray.

That we may succour the destitute, support the weak; hearten those denied the privilege of work, and kindle once again the fires of hope in all who feel the world has ceased to need them.

Silence for one minute, then one voice will lead in prayer.

LEADER: Let us pray for peace—

That we may realize the gravity of our present times and in the midst of the storms that rush over the world, work as never before for the coming of God's Kingdom among the nations, for co-operation and confidence in place of suspicion and fear and for a universal resolve that there shall be no more war.

Silence for one minute, then one voice will lead in prayer.

LEADER: Let us pray for Temperance.

That God will so work upon our hearts that we shall be willing to so labor that the righteous course of temperance may prevail.

Silence for one minute, then one voice will lead in prayer.

LEADER: Let us pray for Missions—for the establishment of Christ's Kingdom on earth through the increased Missionary endeavor of the Christian churches in all the countries of the world and for a special blessing on all those who have dedicated their lives to this service.

Silence for one minute, then one voice will lead in prayer.

LEADER: O Lord, keep us from growing so accustomed to the sound of Thy Word that its meaning no longer penetrates to us. May we through study and meditation waken afresh to a realization of its meaning and power. Amen.

Hymn—"Lord, Speak to Me." Tune: *Maryton.*

To be read very impressively by one voice:

But when the Son of man shall come in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then shall He sit on the throne of His Glory:

And before Him shall be gathered all the nations; and He shall separate them one from another, as the shepherd separateth the sheep from the goats: and He shall set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left.

LEADER: Then shall the King say unto them, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

RESPONSE: For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.

LEADER: Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?

RESPONSE: And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. (Matt. 25: 34-40)

LEADER: Behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

Blessed are they that do his commandments! (Rev. 22: 12-14)

Hymn—"Lead On, O King Eternal." Tune: *Lancashire.*

Prayer (in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

LEADER: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, the fellowship of the Holy Ghost be with us now and for ever. Amen.

Information

The programme as printed is only suggestive. It may be shortened to meet the needs of the places where the meetings are held.

A special programme is being printed for young women and girls, and it would be helpful if some one familiar with the objects for which the offering is given would speak briefly at these meetings.

Day of Prayer Programmes (Youth Programmes as well) are ordered from the denominational Literature Depots of the Woman's Missionary Societies. Price, one cent each.

It is hoped that this programme will in some degree meet every woman's need and it is suggested that its use be continued beyond the hour of the prayer-meeting, and that it may be taken home for study and further reference.

The 1934 Day of Prayer collections amounted to $5,100 and were applied to the following: Shanghai, Chinese Christian Literature; Tokio, Japanese Christian Literature; Tokio, Kagawa, Kingdom of God Movement; Seoul, Korean Christian Literature; Christian Literature Committee for Women and Children; Moslem Christian Literature, New York; African Christian Literature; India Christian Literature; Canadian School of Missions, Dr. J. Lovell Murray, Toronto; Leper Mission, Toronto; British and Foreign Bible Society, Canada; Christian Literature Society, Shanghai; Upper Canada Tract Society, for work among lumbermen and sailors, Toronto; Jewish Christian Literature, New York City.

Please send offerings to the Treasurer, Inter-Board Committee, Miss Bessie MacMurchy, 122 South Drive, Toronto, Ontario.

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

THE DAY OF PRAYER will be observed by women of every country, the world over, on March 8th, 1935. Are you, dear reader, thinking about it, and talking about it in your community, so that when the day comes, instead of the prayers of the few, there will be a great spiritual gathering of the many. The programmes to guide the meetings are very wonderful. Please order your supply early.

World Day of Prayer programmes for Auxiliaries, 1c. each.

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Make this a *year* of Prayer!

MISSIONARY PRAYERS AND HYMNS, a splendid little book with prayers suitable for meetings, the work, officers newly elected, etc. 10c. each.

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Our Church's Diamond Jubilee

Stories of our Church and its work will be forthcoming during this Jubilee year. The following books should be read by every member, to realize our heritage of accomplishment.

THEY WENT FORTH, by John McNab. The story of our great pioneer missionaries from Geddie to Goforth. $1.50 in cloth, $1.00 in paper.

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Leaflets:

There is in stock a wide selection of leaflets from 2c. to 10c. on Thank-offerings, Stewardship, Mission Fields, stories of life in China, India or Japan, and various other subjects. These will be sent on approval, if you will tell us about how many you wish to purchase and give some idea of the subjects you wish to cover, and the type of meeting at which they are to be used. Address the W.M.S. Publications, Room 700, 372 Bay Street, Toronto. A little story adds variety to a meeting.

Prayer

OUR loving heavenly Father, we would come into Thy presence with gratitude and joy, knowing that Thine ear is ever open to our supplications and that Thou art ever ready to help us in our time of need. May the way into Thy Presence Chamber be a well worn path for each member of our Society. We thank Thee for the quiet intimate prayer; for family prayer, when parents and children approach Thee together at the beginning of each day; for the House of God where people gather to pray and praise and publicly honor Thee. At this time we would especially thank Thee for the ''miracle of the year'', the World Day of Prayer, when from the rising of the sun to the going down thereof, the sound of prayer is never silent. O divine Redeemer, Thou great God and Father of the sons and daughters of men, place Thy hand in benediction on the women of every land and clime and of every creed and color who, on that day, pray, and grant them such a new vision of what it means to ''bear one another's burdens,'' that they will willingly accept the sacrifice it involves in order that Thy kingdom may be advanced and a better world upbuilt. Bless those known to us who are in great anxiety. Restore loved ones, if it be Thy will. Comfort all who mourn. Bless the Missionaries of the Cross in all lands, uphold them by Thy mighty power, and on March 8th, may we and they be drawn very near to each other and to Thee, the Hearer and Answerer of prayer. Forgive wherein we have asked amiss for we come to Thee in and through Jesus Christ our Lord and Redeemer.

Amen.

OUR LETTER BOX

The Church at Nagoya, Japan, Dedicated

MISS MacDONALD and I arrived at Nagoya Saturday afternoon, and our first meeting was Saturday evening. It was a great joy to meet our people again. Owing to heavy rain we did not have a large attendance on Saturday night, the majority of those present being believers. However, one young man decided to believe. On Sunday morning at the worship service there was baptism, both of adults and children, and also Communion. In addition to those who were baptized, it was gratifying to see the number of those who had answered the first and second sets of questions. Among those who had answered the first questions was the man from Toyomae, who was previously a great drunkard, but, who, seeing his wife's fine Christian behaviour, decided to become a Christian, and whom I think is a real miracle.

On Sunday afternoon at two o'clock the dedication of the Church was held, and in the evening there was an evangelistic meeting. Pastor Oh from Osaka was the leader of these meetings, and also the special speaker on Sunday afternoon. On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, there were study classes during the day for the Christians, the attendance varying from forty to fifty. After study hours the Christians visited the non-Christians, distributing tracts and trying to persuade them to attend the evening services. On Tuesday afternoon the Bible woman and I visited together, and on Wednesday we were accompanied by two of the Church women, one of whom carried a baby on her back and walked incessantly for three hours without appearing to be very tired. Our Bible woman in Nagoya is a great worker, very unselfish, and eager to serve well. From Saturday evening to Wednesday evening the number of those who decided to believe, in all amounted to about forty. In the neighborhood of the new church, there are a great many non-Christian Koreans, and our hope and prayer is that great numbers will be brought in through the new Church. Each evening the attendance was about one hundred and fifty.

A short time ago my helper and I went out to a place called Naruo for the first time, accompanied by a Seminary student, who had told us about this place where many Koreans lived. We found a regular little village of Koreans, and visited among them. We went a second time and visited in the afternoon, and the student came out in the evening bringing the lantern in order to show the slides of the ''Life of Christ''. We secured a large empty house and began to show the pictures, with an audience of about three hundred. Unfortunately our bulb gave out and we had to discontinue the pictures, but the student told the story, and we promised to return with the pictures just as soon as possible. Another of our Seminary students goes out each Sunday afternoon to hold a little Sunday School. We see many places where new workers might be sent and new work opened up, yet we do rejoice that in these trying times when so many Mission Boards are in great difficulty, our Women's Board is maintaining its work so well. We are hoping that through the service at home of Miss MacLean and Mr. Young, many will realize just how much they can help by prayer, and that many prayer-helpers will be raised up who will be used greatly in the expansion of the Kingdom.—*Mary E. Anderson.*

A Jolly Re-Union

SOME 150 boys and girls from all over Winnipeg Presbytery, together with interested friends and leaders, filled the Assembly Hall of First Presbyterian Church for the re-union of the campers and rally of 'teen-age boys and girls. With laughter and song the happy hours of camp were re-enacted. Mrs. R. F. Rorke, Camp Convener, presided, and Miss Mamie Todd took charge of the Camp Fire service. Revs. W. G. MacLean, E. L. Garvin and Mrs. J. S. Hutchison, former Provincial President of the W.M.S., gave short addresses.

A sad feature was saying farewell to Miss Todd, who was being transferred to the Peace River country. This too had its bright side as all felt that she would carry into that far country the same kindly spirit, and work in her new field as faithfully as she had done in her Master's service in Winnipeg. As a token of appreciation the girls presented her with a leather brief case bearing her initials.

Refreshments were then served and after many farewells all departed for their homes full of joy at being together once again.

—*Lyle Hyde, Camp Secretary.*

INDIA

Jobat Hospital

"AT long last the anticipated end of examinations has arrived. It is wonderful to wake up in the morning and know there is no studying to be done. I was in Indore for the orals.

We were very busy in the hospital for a few weeks. The epidemic of whooping cough left complications in several cases. For a couple of weeks the main ward looked like a children's ward. We were sorry that two lovely babies succumbed to pneumonia. One method of treatment for the sick children was milk, but a man who earns four annas a day cannot afford one anna for milk, so I have been supplying milk to four children.

Yesterday we started housecleaning by getting some beds and mattresses out in the sun. Can you picture yourself walking past

Toronto General and seeing mattresses, pillows and blankets spread indiscriminately around the front lawns?''

—*Bessie M. MacMurchy.*

''M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home''

''AT present we only have five kiddies in the babies' home. Five left to go into the girls' boarding and they are going to school. One or two little babies that we had have gone back to their homes. While I was in the hills I got word about our little Samson dying. He was a dear little boy, and we miss him around the home.

I must tell you of the visitors I had last night. Miss Sherrick and I were playing the victrola. All of a sudden, I heard a rush on the verandah and looking through the screen I saw all the school boys, fourteen of them. They wanted to know if they could come in and listen. They came in and squatted on the floor. I gave them a variety of music. They liked the Spirituals best of all. Although they do not understand English, things that are funny to us, they thought them funny and they would laugh and laugh. For the last one I played some Christmas pieces, then I thought it was time for them to go home. They did not make any move, then one of the little fellows said 'play one more, one to make us laugh'. I enjoyed the audience as much as the concert. Some had apparently got up out of bed to come over, for some had their blankets around them and came in rubbing their eyes.''

—*Iris Errey.*

YOUNG WOMEN

LOOKING FORWARD

THE appointed representatives of the Young Women's Auxiliaries and Affiliated Groups of Toronto Presbyterial met in Knox Church, Toronto, Ontario, on December 3rd, to organize a Young Women's Auxiliary Leaders' Fellowship. This Fellowship is essentially a training ground. The means will be provided for practical application of the information derived by means of study courses. If the purpose of the Fellowship is accomplished, a closer relationship between the young women and the Presbyterial should develop.

The study course planned for this year consists of four lectures, namely:

1. Our Society—organization and administration.
2. Interpreting the Allocation.
3. Public Speaking.
4. Parliamentary Procedure—a mock Presbyterial meeting.

Each lecture will be followed by a discussional period.

Montreal and Hamilton Presbyterials also organized Leaders' Fellowships, among the young women, during the past year. It is hoped in time that every leader and potential leader, within the Young Women's membership, will have the opportunity to develop to the highest degree, her capacity for leadership through the Young Women's Auxiliary Leaders' Fellowship.

Canada's Heritage from Europe

Handcrafts, although they may have been created in a sheltered and even restricted environment, sometimes by the hands of women who have never ventured outside the limits of their home, nevertheless are closely bound up with the history, geography, art and literature of the country from which they spring. Nothing could serve as greater testimony to the truth of this statement than the traditional costumes of Hungary. One hundred and fifty years of Turkish domination failed to eradicate the wealth of design which flourishes in the handcrafts of these people.

Decorations in other countries seem meager after comparisons with the Hungarian. Their designs are both geometric and floral, although the intricate floral designs are perhaps the more characteristic. Their embroideries, their cupboards, their spinning wheels, their houses, all boast the vivid blues, yellows and reds in designs which adapt as easily in one medium as another.

''Imagine,'' writes Florence Yoder Wilson, ''a spinning wheel in old reds and blues, a running vine with white and red berries trailing up the standards; the wheel and all small edges in blue and red; and flowerets scattered wherever there is room. Even the hard wooden paddles with which the women pound and wash their clothes are works of art. Now take all this color and design in all homely objects, multiply it by two, and imagine it on blouses, shirts, pillows, bed-spreads, everywhere in fact that needles go.''

Your neighbor, little Miss Hungary, attends public school in Canada. Her parents were born in Hungary. In an old marriage chest, her mother keeps a costume which little Miss Hungary wears on special occasions. Her head-dress is covered with gold spangles and gold knobs. Her jacket is maroon velvet, with gold frogs, and the national colors red, white and green are on the streamers of her cap. Her leather boots are high and tight and come to the knee.

Well may she be proud to wear her national costume, for her motherland boasts some of the richest lands in all Europe. The great Liszt, whose Hungarian rhapsodies have echoed down the years over all Europe and America was her kinsman. Music and art are two good fairies who have favored her people for centuries.

Do you know little Miss Hungary?

—Fergie D. Holman.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

MY WESTERN TRIP

Dear Leaders and Girls:

MY long western journey is over, and, turning east once more, I am thinking of the many places that I have seen and the many groups I have visited. Eighty-four meetings altogether, that means a lot of travelling, doesn't it?

To Edmonton, Alberta, goes the credit for having the largest rally west of Winnipeg, with over 100 girls attending. The northern air must produce good voices, the group singing was worth remembering. One Saturday night the Edmonton leaders gathered around a cosy fire in the attractive social room of First Church, and we had a splendid talk together on girls' work.

Calgary held a rally also, at Grace Church, and the hall was decorated with large C.G.I.T. monograms and little felt ships symbolizing the various parts of the C.G.I.T. programme. Carstairs, Alberta, had a supper meeting and to it came several girls from Dog Pound—the real name of a real place. When the supper was over, a new girls' group was organized. Three Hills have also a new group, and although they knew only the night before that the Secretary was coming, every girl was at the meeting. Isn't that a proud record?

At Red Deer I met Miss Frieda Matthews, our deaconess, who works in the district west of Red Deer, and who, last summer, had a splendid girls' camp. She has two groups now on her own field.

In a blinding snow storm I crossed the Rockies and came down into British Columbia—and into the Vancouver rain. Rallies were held at North Vancouver, New Westminster, and Vancouver—the latter beginning with some lively games, and a sing song led by Miss Anne Fountain. The British Columbia girls sing a lovely hymn, ''Thou Friend of Youth,'' to the tune of ''All Through the Night.'' At Vancouver also I had my first Chinese luncheon—served with chop sticks, and I learned that eating with them is not as difficult as it looks. Then on I went to Victoria, with its lovely holly trees, and there I visited the Chinese kindergarten and listened to a lesson in English. Some of the older Chinese girls sang at the rally.

About the first of December I turned eastward, visiting Southern British Columbia and the Kootenay district, with its wonderful lakes and mountains and little towns nestled in the valleys. Here I met with several small groups, carrying on alone, and often many miles from any other Presbyterian groups. At Trail, B.C., a lovely surprise awaited me, for the three groups presented me with a five year diary, and I shall think of them as I write in it my adventures. Their youngest group is my first godchild—a "Mary Hill" group.

In Southern Alberta I made three stops—Macleod, Lethbridge and Medicine Hat. Macleod has a senior C.G.I.T. group that has been carrying on for seven years—a real achievement. The girls have done many practical things to make their church more beautiful, and just now they are very enthusiastic over a project in etiquette. My travels ended at Swift Current, Sask., with a banquet given by the C.G.I.T. and Explorers' groups. The older group dramatized a Japanese folk tale, and the evening ended with a Christmas worship service. Then on to the train for my long ride back to Toronto.

And so goodbye to the West until my next visit.

With greetings to you all,

Sincerely yours,
Mary Hill,
Girls' Work Secretary.

Service of Worship for Youth

This service was prepared by Miss Marjorie Trotter, Principal of Moulton College, Toronto, at the request of the Inter-Board Committee of the Woman's Missionary Societies of Canada.

"A New Commandment"

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER — MARCH 8, 1935

A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

(John 13: 34, 35)

Youth of all nations in the observance of this World Day of Prayer

Theme: A New Commandment.

It would be well for all participating in the service to spend a few moments quietly familiarizing themselves with it, noting particularly the six main divisions into which it falls, as the service will proceed without announcement of these divisions or any verbal instructions.

Quiet Music

I. Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP BY THE LEADER (all standing): O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

RESPONSE BY THE ASSEMBLY: *For His mercy endureth forever.*

LEADER: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so . . . from the East and from the West, from the North and from the South.

RESPONSE: *Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men.* (Ps. 107: 1, 2, 3, 8.)

Hymn—''Let Us With a Gladsome Mind,'' No. 120. Tune: *Ever Faithful.*

Prayer (in unison)

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(All seated or kneeling)

LEADER: . Realizing how easily we may go through the forms of worship while our hearts remain untouched, let us at this time remove from our minds all conflicting matters, as we center our thought upon God, upon His greatness and goodness, and upon His purposes for mankind.

RESPONSE: *For a sense of Thy presence we pray Thee, O God.*

(A moment of silence follows)

LEADER: Realizing how empty is our worship of God unless our hearts are set to love one another, let us at this time send out our thought to those in every land who this day join in this fellowship of prayer, and to all others for whom we ought to pray.

RESPONSE: *For a right attitude to all Thy children we pray Thee, O God.*

(A moment of silence follows)

II. Worship Through Meditation on the Theme

(All seated)

LEADER: Let us hear the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ concerning the new commandment, That ye love one another.

FIRST READER: The story of The Good Samaritan, as told in Luke 10: 25-37.

RESPONSE: *Have mercy upon us, O Lord, and incline our hearts to keep this Law.*

SECOND READER: The story of The Final Judgment, as told in Matt. 25: 31-40.

RESPONSE: *Have mercy upon us, O Lord, and incline our hearts to keep this Law.*

THIRD READER: The Sermon on the Mount, as given in Matt. 5: 23, 24, and 43-48.

RESPONSE: *Have mercy upon us, O Lord, and incline our hearts to keep this Law.*

LEADER: Jesus called them to Him and saith unto them, Ye know that they which are accounted to rule over the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and their great ones exercise authority upon them. But so shall it not be among you: but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister: And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many. (Mark 10: 42-45.)

RESPONSE: *God no one has ever seen; but if we love one another, then God remains within us, and love for Him is complete in us. This is how we may be sure we remain in Him and He in us, because He has given us a share in His own Spirit.* (1st John 4: 12-14—Moffatt.)

Hymn (all standing)—''O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee,'' No. 582. Tune: *Maryton.*

III. Worship Through Interpreting the Theme for Life Today

(All seated)

LEADER: What would it mean to obey Christ's new commandment in our homes?

RESPONSE: *It would mean that gentleness and courtesy, the will to understand, patience and good humor would bless the relationships of husband and wife, parent and child, brothers and sisters. Each would share the work of the home, and each would share his best gifts of mind and heart for the building of happiness in the home.*

LEADER: What would it mean to obey Christ's new commandment in our schools?

RESPONSE: *It would mean that each member of the school community could be relied on for school spirit, that gentle manners and careful consideration for the rights of others would prevail; and that a desire to fit oneself for service would replace selfish ambition as the dominant motive in education.*

LEADER: What would it mean to obey Christ's new commandment in the world of business?

RESPONSE: *It would mean that employers would deal with those who work for them as human beings of dignity and worth. Equally it would mean that all who are employed would give full measure of interest and of energy to the day's work, regarding the humblest task as a trust to be fulfilled.*

LEADER: What would it mean to obey Christ's new commandment in our community life?

RESPONSE: *It would mean that the resources of the community would be organized for the welfare of all the citizens. Wholesome recreation would be provided, temptations to intemperance and vice removed. The work of the community would be justly divided, as well as the resulting gains. It would not be tolerated that a few should amass fortunes while the many suffered want.*

LEADER: What would it mean to obey Christ's new commandment among the nations?

RESPONSE: *It would mean that the nations would gladly create international forces to regulate the world's trade for the benefit of the peoples of the world. It would mean that instead of throwing their strength into the race in armaments, nations would throw their strength into the League of Nations, that it might become an effective instrument of world peace. It would mean trying to understand the differences between races and peoples and giving each a chance to make its distinctive contribution towards the enriching of the common life.*

LEADER: What would it mean to obey Christ's new commandment in our personal lives?

RESPONSE: *It would mean refusing to cherish resentment or bear a grudge; it would mean looking for the best in other people; it would mean studying and supporting the movements looking towards peace and a new society; it would mean asking for God's help from day to day in order to show forth the spirit of love in every situation.*

Hymn (all standing)—''Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life,'' No. 581.
Tune: *Walton.*

IV. Worship Through the Offering

As we join with women and young people in every land who bring their gifts today, we may have a practical share in advancing the

Kingdom of Christ throughout the world. The money is used for the printing of Christian literature in many lands.

If possible to have a choir selection, it might come at this time and should be chosen to harmonize with the theme.

V. Worship Through Intercession

(Seated or kneeling)

LEADER: For the work of Thy Spirit in the Church; in its ministry of Word and Sacrament, in its saints and teachers, in its unceasing care of the bodies and souls of men:

RESPONSE: *We thank Thee, O Lord.*

LEADER: And yet, O Lord, until Thy will is done on earth as it is in heaven, that Thy Spirit may ever more and more possess the hearts of men, bringing every thought and purpose into captivity to the obedience of Christ:

RESPONSE: *We pray Thee, O Lord.*

LEADER: That the Church may be indeed the Body of Christ: filled with His universal love, fearless of danger, unfettered by the traditions of men: living only to serve, and laying down its life for the kingdom's sake:

RESPONSE: *We pray Thee, O Lord.*

LEADER: That in the councils of nations the lust of domination and the temper that makes for war may be checked and over-ruled, and the will to peace and universal brotherhood strengthened and maintained:

RESPONSE: *We pray Thee, O Lord.*

(Taken from Songs for Worship,
Religious Education Council of Canada.)

Silent Prayer Follows

VI. Worship Through an Act of Dedication

LEADER: A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

RESPONSE: *Blessed are they that do His commandments.*

In Unison, the Lord's Prayer (all standing).

Hymn of Dedication—''Lead On, O King Eternal,'' No. 540.
Tune: *Lancashire*

Benediction, pronounced by the leader:

May the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus now and ever more. Amen.

Note to Leader of Service:

Please send offerings to the Treasurer, Inter-Board Committee, Miss Bessie MacMurchy, 122 South Drive, Toronto, Ontario.

NOW, God be thanked, Who has matched us with His hour,
And caught our youth, and wakened us from sleeping,
With hand made sure, clear eye, and sharpened power,
To turn, as swimmers into cleanness leaping,
Glad from a world grown old and cold and weary.
—*Rupert Brooke.*

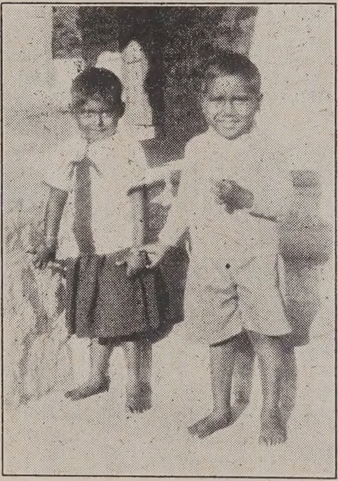
MISSION BANDS

SHANTI

Dear Boys and Girls:

DO you remember the day when you first started to school? What an important day that was in your life!

Had you been in Amkhut last year you could have seen four little boys and one little girl gaily starting off from the "M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home" for their first day in class.



Shanti and a schoolmate

And what is so remarkable about that! Just this; they were the first of our orphans from the Home to start to school. Of course you know about this wonderful Home, because your pennies help to keep this home for orphans and sick children in the Bhil field.

Perhaps you would like to know more about these children so I shall tell you about the little girl, since there was just one girl in that company of beginners .

She was from a Hindu home in Barwani. Her parents died when she was a baby and an aunt and uncle kept her. They were poor and there was not much love in their hearts for the little orphan. Being a girl she would mean nothing but expense to them. At different times they had asked Mr. and Mrs. Toombs to take her and have the Mission care for her and one day when I was in Barwani on my way to Toran Mall, they came again and wondered if the Miss Sahib would not accept this little girl.

I wish you could have seen her, dirty, ragged and thin. I did not want to take her at that time because already I had undertaken the care of Mangal Singh, six months old, and I thought my hands were full. The matter was pressed and a Bhil woman who was with me offered to look after the girl and take her into her own home. The first thing was to clean her up, and Mrs. Toombs provided clothes, and the transformation was quite pleasing.

In the morning we went on our way. I thought there would be tears at parting, but there seemed to be no sorrow on either side. The new clothes and the motor may have helped occupy her thoughts. For a long time our little charge never spoke a word and we wondered whether she was lonely, but under the loving care of her new friends the little tongue soon was loosed. She called them ''papa'' and ''mama'' and was a ray of sunshine in their home.

Her Hindu name was not a beautiful one so we chose a new name, ''Shanti'', the Hindi word for peace.

When the time was opportune Shanti became a member of the Children's Home family and there spent many happy days with the other children playing in the sand pile and on the teeter, and also helping the younger children when she could.

When her uncle saw how attractive she had become he wanted to take her home again, ''just for the holidays'', so he said. However, we knew that a Hindu society had been telling him to get the girl back, so we put him off from time to time while she was small and we hope that she will be so happy in her new home that she will not want to go back.

Shanti is only one of the little orphans who have come from sinful, hopeless surroundings to a comfortable life in the care of those whose hearts are filled with the Saviour's love and who continually remember His words,

''Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least
of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me.''

M. H. Williamson.

Leaders' Corner

THE MOTHERS' GROUP

TO a Leader who is discouraged about lack of helpers in her Band, I would suggest that she try a plan that proved successful in our experience. We solved the problem by enlisting the cooperation and sympathy of the mothers of the children in our Band.

To begin with, we invited these mothers to a special meeting. A good programme had been prepared at the conclusion of which, refreshments were served. This afforded an opportunity to get acquainted and to invite the mothers to come to the next work meeting. When they came we made them welcome. We had them feel that they were really needed. Two were appointed to supervise at the tables where the cutting-out of pictures and pasting of scrap books was being done. Some preferred to help with the sewing or patching of quilts, or the making of layettes. To each, a definite task was given—the secret being, to keep them occupied and to make them feel that they were indispensable.

We appointed two capable mothers as social conveners. This has proved a boon to the Leader as she is thus left free on festive occasions to act as hostess and to become acquainted with newcomers.

By getting the mothers engaged in the work of the Mission Band, interest has been aroused in many cases where formerly there has been indifference and many of these women have become valuable members of the W.M.S.

Each year in our Band, a Junior Membership Certificate has been given by the mothers' group.

Whether they be assisting with the study meetings, helping with work meetings or planning for parties, pageants or picnics, our group of ''dependables'' has proved to be a blessing in the work.

Try this plan, Leaders, get the support of the mothers and I am convinced that the future success of your Band is assured.

—Estelle C. MacBeth, Superintendent,
Dovercourt Road Mission Band, Toronto.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. J. M. MOODIE, 2719, 14TH ST. W., CALGARY, PRESS SECRETARY

CALGARY P.S. meeting was well attended. Mrs. R. S. Gibson, President, took the devotions. Miss Gray reported Miss Mary Hill's visit to Calgary and spoke of the help it should be to the young people. Mrs. Gowans read letters from the north districts asking for Sunday School papers and books for a library. Miss McCauley offered special prayer for our missionaries in China.

Mrs. R. H. Williams presided at the Thank-offering meeting of St. Andrew's Church. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. R. S. Gibson and Mrs. W. Birtles. A fine address was given by Mrs. F. W. Allott on ''Looking Backward and Forward—The World for Christ,'' and gave much encouragement to go forward. Miss Ellen Birtles, Phyllis and Murray Bowman, and the C.G.I.T. contributed to the musical part of the programme. Mrs. Rutherford, a member of the Society for 27 years, was presented with flowers. Mrs. Birtles cut the birthday cake.

Miss Mary Hill received an enthusiastic welcome in Calgary. A rally of the C.G.I.T. groups of the 4 Presbyterian Churches was held in Grace Church, which she addressed, afterwards meeting the leaders in conference. On Sunday she visited each of the Sunday Schools, speaking very acceptably to the young people. An opportunity for the members of the Auxiliaries to meet Miss Hill was afforded at a reception at Mrs. R. S. Gibson's home. The Calgary Leaders' Council and Provincial Girls' Work Board arranged to meet her at tea in the ''Y'' parlors.

Following this busy week-end Miss Hill visited Three Hills C.G.I.T. and Banff, where several meetings had been arranged.

Mrs. F. W. Allott, Provincial President, addressed Three Hills Thank-offering. In the evening she organized the 'teen-age girls into a group calling themselves ''The Girls of the Burning Bush'', with Mrs. W. Harte and Mrs. S. Quigley as leaders.

The Sunbeam Mission Band, Three Hills, under the leadership of Mrs. R. Grant, and Miss G. Gustafson held a Hallowe'en party, having their mothers as guests. Miss Mary Hill visited ''The Girls of the Burning Bush'' and gave them an encouraging address on ''Packing Life's Baggage.'' Every member was present.

Macleod P.S.—All the Auxiliaries have received inspiration and encouragement from the visits of Mrs. J. H. Harback, Presbyterial President, who not only brought to them an excellent report of the Council Meeting in Montreal, but in her kindly manner gave a message of hope and cheer for the work of the future. Much help has been derived from her visits.

St. John's Church Aux., Medicine Hat, held its Thank-offering meeting recently. Mrs. M. S. Blackburn, Vice-President, presided. Our splendid slides on India were shown and the special speaker was Rev. E. J. Church, of the First Baptist Church, who spent a number of years in missionary work in India. Mr. Church also sang a hymn in Telagu. The offering was the most gratifying received for a number of years.

Calgary P.S.—The December meeting of the Presbyterial executive was well attended. Mrs. R. S. Gibson presided. Miss Elsie Gray offered special prayer for our missionaries in China. Mrs. J. B. Gowans told of having received a large number of books from St. Andrew's Church Auxiliary for our library in the Peace River District. Mrs. J. D. MacMillan reported a large amount of clothing and supplies sent to the relief districts. Mrs. W. Stephens, of North Hill Church, read an interesting letter from Miss Hermanson, of Formosa. Arrangements were made for the annual meeting to be held in Grace Church, January 29th and 30th.

The C.G.I.T. of St. Andrew's Church, Calgary, held a mother and daughter banquet recently. Miss Dorothy Peterson, President, welcomed the guests and explained the insignia and uniform. Dorothy Nutall was toast mistress. The ''Busy Bee'' Group presented a play ''The Basket of Beautiful Things.'' The ''True Blue'' Group presented a skit while the ''Excelsior'' Group staged a model senior group meeting. Jessie Thomson sang ''Trees'' and Annie Mundy gave a talk in keeping with the theme ''Trees''. The meeting closed with candle lighting service led by Miss Marion McKay.

The ''Helen Miller'' Mission Band, Grace Church, Calgary, under the leadership of Mrs. J. A. Caldwell and Mrs. C. Isaac, had a busy and successful year. From a membership of 35, the average attendance was 30.

Meetings were held every two weeks, one being devoted to work, the other to the study of the text book, ''Flowers in Far Fields.'' At the work meeting, the children were delighted in making dusters, pot holders, sewing bags, quilt patches and other useful articles which were sent to the Vegreville hospital. A beautiful orange and black autograph quilt was made during the year and will be presented to Rev. C. P. and Mrs. Young, of India, who are home on furlough. Pins were presented to several members for regular attendance and Junior Memberships to Harry Glover and Lucy Horn.

The Late Miss Elsie M. Gray

Calgary Presbyterial and Knox Church have suffered a great loss in the death, on January 2nd, of Miss Elsie M. Gray, after a brief illness. Miss Gray was keenly interested in missions, and took an active part in the work of the young people, especially the C.G.I.T. She held the office of Presbyterial C.G.I.T. Secretary for the past three years and devoted much of her time to this work. Deep sympathy is extended to her aged mother, Mrs. J. D. Gray, who is Honorary President of the Presbyterial.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. W. J. SMITH, BOX 138, ARMSTRONG, PRESS SECRETARY

WESTMINSTER P.S.—Mrs. Thos. Wilson, Provincial Corresponding Secretary, was guest speaker at the Thank-offering meeting of Richmond Church W.M.S. and gave a delightful summary of W.M.S. work during the last seventy years.

The W.M.S. of Mount Pleasant Church celebrated the seventieth anniversary of the founding of our Society, Mrs. James Herd tracing the developments of the work from 1864 to the present time. An interesting item on the programme was the presentation of a Life Membership to Mrs. J. A. McKichan on behalf of the Mission Band. Mrs. Bernard's faithful work was remembered by a gift of flowers. A birthday cake was served with tea at the close of the meeting.

Members of the Mission Band Leaders' Council met for supper at the Girls' Corner Club. After supper, Miss M. Grigor of the Peace River country, gave an informal talk on her work and experiences there. Mrs. Moore, a veteran missionary of our Church, also spoke of her work among the Indians 48 years ago. The Church has reason to be proud of both these courageous and faithful workers.

The Thank-offering meeting of Fairview W.M.S. was addressed by Rev. J. McTurk. Another feature of the meeting was the presentation of Life Memberships and pins to Mrs. Cook, Home Helpers Secretary, and Miss McQueen, Treasurer. After a programme in which the Mission Band took part, each member was presented with a framed Bible picture.

Victoria P.S.—Miss Mary Hill, Girls' Work Secretary, was in

Victoria November 24 to 27th. On Sunday Miss Hill spoke to Knox Sunday School and on Monday evening a rally of the C.G.I.T. groups was held in St. Andrew's Church. All the girls' groups were represented, including the Chinese. Greetings were brought by the President of the Victoria Leaders' Council. Miss Hill's talk was most inspiring. At the close a meeting was held for leaders.

The annual meeting of Erskine and Gorge Auxiliaries was held at the home of Rev. T. and Mrs. McAllister. After the reading of reports and election of officers, Mrs. Kennedy addressed the gathering on "Looking Backward Over the Years." A short talk, by Mrs. Hyde, followed, in which she stressed the great need of prayer in our mission work. She also spoke with joy of the wonderful way the Chinese Christians of Victoria are passing on the Gospel story to others.

World Day of Prayer Programmes

Extra copies of the World Day of Prayer programmes may be secured at the Presbyterian W.M.S. Depository, Central Church, Thurlow and Pendrell Streets, Vancouver. This address is printed at the request of the Central Committee for British Columbia.

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Mrs. Geo. A. T. Leckie, 1457 Winnipeg Ave., Winnipeg, Press Secretary

WINNIPEG P.S.—The "Ellen Douglas" Y.W.A. of St. John's Church, Winnipeg, at its Thank-offering honored the seventieth anniversary of the parent Society. The church hall was filled to capacity.

The girls wore costumes of seventy years ago, and after inviting the audience to take a trip with them to Montreal in the year 1864, they put on the first missionary meeting held seventy years ago, followed by the meetings of 1875, 1882, 1914, and 1934, mentioning the important facts in the history of the Missionary Society and giving the reports as presented by Mrs. I. C. Sharp, Mrs. J. J. Steel, and Mrs. J. Sommerville.

The meeting was conducted by the President, Miss Audrey Flook, the guests being received by the President and Vice-President, Miss Barbara Dick. Those taking part in the programme were Misses Myra Reid, Eileen Innes, Margaret Watson, Eileen McCord, Amy Law, Rita Law, Elma Innes and Grace Wallace. The minister, Rev. Edward Lee, opened and closed the meeting.

Mrs. J. S. Flook, Provincial President, and Mrs. John Dick, President of St. John's W.M.S. presided over the tea table which was centered with the birthday cake holding ten green candles, and the table was lit by tall green tapers. Mrs. J. Neville, who organized the "Ellen Douglas" group in 1930, cut the birthday cake.

The girls derived much pleasure in planning this meeting and feel that by so doing they have gained a more thorough knowledge of the history of the W.M.S.

Under the auspices of the Winnipeg Presbyterial, a meeting was held in First Church, Winnipeg, to hear Rev. C. P. and Mrs. Young of Mendha, India. Mrs. W. J. Martin presided. Mrs. Young gave an interesting talk on ''The Women of India''. Mr. Young spoke on ''Some Missionary Problems of India'' and told of the many difficulties due to the caste system, superstition and prejudice, stating that India can never be united until it is Christian. An interesting feature of the meeting was a duet by Mr. and Mrs. Young sung in native Indian tongue. At the close a social hour was enjoyed.

Norwood Church Mission Band, under the leadership of Mrs. R. Scott and Mrs. J. Rodger, put on a fine programme of music, readings and dialogues for their Thank-offering meeting.

ONTARIO

MRS. J. R. SANDERSON, 166 HAMMERSMITH AVE., TORONTO, PRESS SECRETARY

AUXILIARIES be wise, use your time, lest perchance, losing it, you may chase it all year and never overtake it.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Provincial Society will be held in Knox Church, Toronto, April 9th, 10th, 11th. Miss Mary G. Oster, 14 Graham Gardens, Toronto, is convener of the billeting committee. Secretaries should have names of delegates sent in by March 15th.

Now is the time to plan for your Easter Thank-offering meeting. We urge all Auxiliaries to faithfully observe this season.

There is a large undeveloped field in the Home Helpers Department. Your Secretary would like to see a marked advance in this department.

Press Secretaries be careful to give initials of persons, and names of places where speakers are from. Send your news items in good time, those received after allotted space is filled must wait until the next issue. Owing to the policy of the Board, ''In Memoriam'' notices cannot appear in the Ontario pages, except the deceased be a member of the Board.

Leamington Aux. Thank-offering was addressed by Mrs. W. L. Luckey, Windsor. Mrs. S. M. Ferguson was presented with an Honorary Membership and pin, Margaret Jackson and Kathleen Anderson, Mission Band members, doing the honors. A social hour commemorating the 70th birthday was enjoyed, the three storey cake was cut by Mrs. Mattam. Dresden Aux. marked 38th anniversary and 70th with a tea. Two charter members, Mrs. Thos. Laird and Mrs. Sandy McVean read minutes of first meeting, presided at tea table, lighted the candles and cut the cake. Duart Aux. also enjoyed birthday party, with Rev. Oliver Dutton as speaker. Mrs. J. H. Barnett, Goderich, spoke at Ridgetown, largest attendance and best offering in years. Life Membership presented to Mrs. Del Kearney.

The Golden Jubilee of Knox Aux., Goderich, was celebrated with thanks to God for His many blessings and in honor of those pioneer women who set the standard for future generations. Mrs. D. J. Lane reviewed the work of the Society, the Auxiliary history for the first 25 years was read by Miss Mabel Strang as given by her mother 25 years ago. Previous to this there was an Aux. formed about 1877, Mrs. Ure, President, who in 1881 was presented with a Life Membership. Other than this there are no records and interest in the work seemingly died down, was reorganized in 1884, minutes of which were read at Jubilee, Mrs. Ure again being President. No charter members remain. Among those joining shortly after are Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. James Stewart, Goderich. Mrs. Hamilton told interesting memories of the 50 years. Miss Wiggins related the history of the past 25 years, outlining the rapid advance made. In 1912 a Y.W.A. was started and called ''The Arthur Circle'' in honor of Dr. G. Arthur who started the first School Home in Vegreville, Alta., giving the following to the larger service of the Church—Miss Manson, Miss Adams, Mrs. Geo. Booth (née Laura Bates), Misses Mary Gordon, Hazel MacDonald and Lily Macarthur. Mrs. Hood, 82 years of age, a regular attendant, was presented with flowers. Mrs. S. Bisset was given an Honorary Membership. Mrs. Macarthur lit the candles on the cake which was cut by Miss Polley. Mrs. A. G. MacDonald and Mrs. Isaac Salkeld poured tea. Seven workers in the first year raised $27.00, last year 270 workers raised $1,350.00.

A Presbyterial Mission Band rally was held in Knox Church, Ottawa, Miss Jean McLean, speaker. There were 10 Certificates, 11 seals and I Life Membership seal presented by Mrs. W. A. Graham, and Rev. R. Johnston, D.D. Groups of Chinese children sang in their native tongue. Two hundred children were entertained to supper by the Ladies' Aid.

A Mission Band rally, section 3, Toronto, met in Woodbridge, each Band taking part in the programme . A paper on ''Life of Mary Slessor'' was given. Mrs. J. Hill, Toronto, gave an illustrated talk on the work and workers. Rev. C. H. Bowman, B.A., assisted with the meeting.

Central Church Aux., Galt, had an anniversary with Past-Presidents, Mrs. J. Risk, Mrs. M. B. Davidson and Mrs. P. W. Gardiner assisting the President, Mrs. Wm. Wallace, in carrying out the programme. Mrs. Wallace told of the formation of the Auxiliary in 1889 with Mrs. Weir outlining its history. A book of remembrance was introduced in which a record of special events with the names of those attending will be kept.

Well attended Thank-offering meetings and anniversaries throughout Chatham P.S. are reported. First Church Aux., Chatham, organized in 1882, marked the event with a well arranged programme. A cake made in the form of an open book carried six blue and one white candle, representing the different stages of development—organization 1864, Chatham Aux. organized 1882, Life Membership 1883, Printed Leaflet 1884, Home Helpers 1889, Mission Band 1886, and the white one ''In Memoriam''. An

Honorary Membership was presented to Miss Helen Angus, Secretary for many years.

The Thank-offering meeting of First Church, Collingwood, was addressed by Mrs. E. C. Currie, Creemore, and Mrs. K. N. Cooper, Collingwood. A generous offering was dedicated by Rev. Wm. MacMillan, minister of the Church. A birthday cake donated by Mrs. J. Shipley and Mrs. Cooper was cut by Miss M. Fraser, Mrs. Wm. Brown lighting the candles. Reoch Mission Band of First Church, gave a concert directed by Mrs. K. McLean, Mrs. A. Carmichael and Miss O'Brien. Sunnidale Corners Aux. held their Thank-offering meeting in conjunction with the Sunday evening service, Mrs. M. W. Heslip speaking on ''Thanksgiving''. This Auxiliary recently celebrated its forty-fifth anniversary, Mrs. W. Gibson giving the history of those years. Mrs. R. McMurray was presented with a Life Membership. Mrs. T. Burrows, in old time costume, gave a résumé of the work done by the Society; Miss Spicer, a talk on ''Looking Forward''. The oldest member, Mrs. J. Brown, was presented with flowers. The cake donated by Mrs. T. Burrows was decorated with candles and a miniature W.M.S. banner. A Mission Band rally was held in St. Paul's Church, Thornbury, Miss MacMurchy addressing them on ''The important place the Mission Band takes in the life of the Church.''

The Late Mrs. M. B. McQuesten

It was with deep sorrow and a keen sense of loss that the members of Ontario Provincial Women's Missionary Society heard of the passing of our beloved Honorary President, Mrs. M. B. McQuesten. Serving for many years as an Auxiliary President, and as President of Hamilton Presbyterial, she was closely associated with the work of the whole Society. In 1914 she became a Vice-President of the newly formed Provincial Society, later becoming Honorary President, which office she held until her death. Holding the cause of the Women's Missionary Society closely to heart she gave of her strength, intellect and ability, counting nothing lost that was done for the cause of the Master. To quote her own minister, she was for nearly seventy years one of the most conspicuous workers and spiritual forces, not only in her own congregation and community, but in the Church at large.

QUEBEC

Mrs. J. D. Anderson, 108 Ellice St., Beauharnois, Press Secretary

IN December, the W.M.S. of St. Andrew's East celebrated the seventieth anniversary of this organization, also the 60th anniversary of their own Auxiliary, which was formed in December, 1875, with the following officers: Pres., Mrs. A. MacFee; Vice-Pres., Mrs. D. Paterson; Rec. Sec., Miss Anna Wales; Treas., Miss Joanna Barclay.

Mrs. John Bradley presided. Mrs. Joseph Bradley read a brief summary of the work accomplished in Canada since the Society was organized in 1864. This article was most interesting, showing the marvellous growth of the work, from a little band of women organized in Montreal, auxiliary to the Women's Board of Missions in Boston. This was followed by a paper by Mrs. R. L. Ballantyne showing the work and growth of the St. Andrew's East Auxiliary up to the present,—many interesting things being cited from the minutes of the earlier days. Mrs. Ballantyne paid a tribute to the President, officers and Auxiliary members carrying on the work. Mrs. A. W. Pae, President of Montreal P.S., spoke of the splendid heritage which is ours, as an Auxiliary, this being the second oldest branch in Canada.

Rev. H. Cousens, Lachute, presented the greeting of Presbytery. His address was most optimistic and helpful, reminding his hearers that in spite of the depression, their Church had not recalled one missionary from the foreign field. Mrs. R. McFaul, Lachute, represented the Provincial Board. Letters of congratulation were read from two former Presidents, Mrs. H. Ross, of Winnipeg, and Mrs. Robt. Millar, of Matanwan, N.Y. Letters were read from the President of the W.M.S. of the Margaret Rodger Memorial Church, Lachute, and from the Auxiliary of Riverfield and Howick, which has the distinction of being the oldest Auxiliary in Canada. The offering which was in aid of the Mission Band, was taken by four of the Band. Dr. Ballantyne closed the meeting with prayer. A large three-storey birthday cake, with candles, centered the table. Tea was poured by Mrs. Robt. Bradley and Mrs. Proven MacCullough. There was a good congregation present.

SASKATCHEWAN

Mrs. E. G. D. MacEachern, 1934 Victoria Ave., Regina, Press Secretary

PRINCE ALBERT, P.S.—An interesting event in the history of the Ephraim Scott Mission Band, Prince Albert, took place in St. Paul's Church, when the three groups met together for the twenty-first anniversary of the Mission Band. A number of mothers and friends were present and also some of the charter members. An interesting lantern lecture was given by Rev. R. G. McKay. A chorus was sung by the Central group and a piano solo rendered by Eleanor Motherwell of the Hill group. A splendid message received from Mrs. A. E. Mitchell, Vancouver, who had organized the Band, was read by Mrs. E. Beveridge, and a historical sketch by Mrs. A. Asel, both charter members. The first meeting of the "Little Missionaries" as the Band was first called, was held November 3, 1913. There was a charter membership roll of 40. Many faithful leaders have superintended the Band through the years, and the present membership shows a considerable increase over the original roll. Miss Helen Frame read a tribute to the noble life of the late Dr. Ephraim Scott, whose name the Mission Band bears. A birthday cake with twenty-one candles decorated the tea table.

Prince Albert P.S.—St. Andrew's W.M.S., Tisdale, held an interesting and well attended anniversary meeting.

Mrs. R. G. MacKay, Presbyterial President, visited Melfort and Tisdale Auxiliaries, giving a report of the Council Meeting and much helpful advice and encouragement.

Regina P.S.—Mrs. Jas. McAra was an interesting and inspiring speaker on the occasion of the celebration of the 70th anniversary of the W.M.S., which was held at Qu'Appelle. Visitors from Indian Head and Sintaluta were present.

Saskatoon P.S.—A welcome guest at the Thank-offering meeting of Parkview W.M.S., Saskatoon, was Mrs. Moore, for many years an active worker among the people of Mistawasis Indian Reserve. At this meeting the seventieth anniversary of the W.M.S. was celebrated. The special speaker was Mrs. J. B. Young. At the annual meeting of this Auxiliary the reports of all Secretaries were wonderfully encouraging. Rev. W. G. Pellow addressed the meeting.

Ten Ways To Kill A Society

1. Don't come to the meetings.

2. If you do come, come late.

3. If the weather doesn't suit you, don't think of coming.

4. If you attend a meeting, find fault with the work of the officers and other members.

5. Never accept office, as it is easier to criticize than to do things.

6. Nevertheless, be put out if you are not appointed on the committee; but if you are, do not attend committee meetings.

7. If asked by the chairman to give your opinion on some matter, tell her you have nothing to say. After the meeting tell everyone how things ought to be done.

8. Do nothing more than is absolutely necessary, but when members roll up their sleeves and willingly, unselfishly use their ability to help matters along, say that the society is run by a clique.

9. Hold back your dues as long as possible, or don't pay at all.

10. Don't bother about getting new members. Let someone else do it. *—Selected.*

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Mamie Catherine Georgina Fraser

Blessed are the pure in heart

IN this quiet room, hallowed by many memories of the work of the Council Executive, it seems fitting that we who have companied together here should remember one very dear to us all, and with the memory of the beautiful and touching service in the chapel in all its perfection fresh in our hearts, should add our tribute of remembering love.

Today, to us all there comes a sad, lonely feeling. We miss her. But this feeling is for ourselves, not for the going home of dear Mamie Fraser. We are thankful to God that in His merciful loving kindness he spared her prolonged suffering and inability to continue editing her beloved "Glad Tidings".

Not many days before she died she spoke to one of our members of the verse of a favorite hymn, which reads:

In simple trust like theirs who heard,
Beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord,
Let us like them, without a word
Rise up and follow Thee.

She has heard that gracious calling of her Lord and has entered upon the life everlasting to carry on in fuller measure the life of service so faithfully begun on earth.

As President of the Society, I want to pay tribute to her loyal support of me personally and of the policies of this Council Executive, to her sweet patience, to her understanding friendship, her love which made the path of life so pleasant for her friends, to her readiness to take suggestions about what she wrote—not all of us have this latter grace.

Miss Fraser had a special genius for making a home. Wherever her dwelling place was she gave to it this priceless feeling, not alone for her nearest and dearest, but also for the lonely, the sad, the discouraged. She loved to spread a hospitable board for her friends and all of us who shared her hospitality will retain a cherished memory of it.

These are all precious things to remember, but the lasting memory to me, and I am sure to you all, is going to be the ray of sunshine which shone upon her towards the end of the chapel service. It seemed like a gleam of celestial light shining through the opening gate of Heaven, and we seemed to see our friend entering in through the gate into the City of God to meet her Lord, Whom she served so faithfully, and to hear His welcoming Voice.

Let us thus remember her in sunshine, in joy, with thankfulness and gratitude to God for such a friend.

Bessie MacMurchy.

Mamie C. G. Fraser

"Fold her, O Father! in Thine arms
And let her henceforth be
A messenger of love between
Our human hearts and Thee."

A MESSENGER of love, so will we treasure the memory of our beloved Editor, Mamie Catherine Georgina Fraser, who passed away, after a brief illness, at Wellesley Hospital, Toronto, on February 14th, 1935.

She was born in Hamilton, Ontario, the eldest child of Peter Macdonald Fraser and his wife Margaret Georgina Johnston, of Grafton, Ontario. The family soon moved to Inverness, Scotland, her father's birthplace, and there she received her early education. Later the family returned to Canada, settling first in St. Thomas and then in Toronto. At Alma College, St. Thomas, she distinguished herself by winning the highest degree in the gift of the institution—that of Mistress of Liberal Arts. She was one of the most popular young women at the school, and was valedictorian of her year.

In her twenty-four years of editorial work, on publications of the Women's Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, she endeared herself to the membership of the Church and the Society.

Previous to her editorial work, Miss Fraser was an officer on the Board of the Women's Home Missionary Society, serving as Associate Secretary of Organization for a period of one year, after which she became Associate Editor of the *Home Mission Pioneer*. With the amalgamation in 1914 of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, the Women's Home Missionary Society and the Woman's Missionary Society, Montreal, the three existing magazines merged into one, *The Missionary Messenger*. Miss Fraser was appointed Associate Editor, and in 1920 was given sole charge. It was chiefly due to her remarkable talent that this magazine attained in 1924, the largest circulation of any publication of its kind published by Women's Missionary Societies in Canada, or so far as could be learned, in the United States or Great Britain.

After 1925, Miss Fraser became Editor of *The Glad Tidings.* Although this magazine came into being in troublous times, during her tenure of office its circulation has been doubled. She also assisted in editing the *Church Bulletin* brought out in 1925.

Miss Fraser found time to take an active part in her own Church, Parkdale Presbyterian, being prominent in the Sloan Auxiliary of the W.M.S. She was gifted in music and was a much loved and valued member of the Canadian Women's Press Club, Toronto branch.

To few is given the charm that can endear them to so large a circle of friends; to few is given the rare talent of so gifted a pen; to few is given the vision and the joy of achievement; to few is given the ability to share so devotedly the fruits of their talents. Miss Fraser had all these gifts and all in full measure. To everyone who sought her help and encouragement she gave wise counsel, and gave it freely and affectionately. It can be said of her,

"As one lamp lights another nor grows less
So nobleness enkindleth nobleness."

Service of Farewell

"And the glory of the Lord shone round about."

THE Service of Farewell, for our beloved Editor, Miss Mamie C. G. Fraser, was held in the beautiful chapel of Knox College, February 16th.

A shaft of yellow gold fell across the casket at the close of the service, as low-hanging clouds suddenly parted, to flood the window of the chapel with a living golden flame. It was symbolic of her shining faith, the torch she held aloft during her lifetime to illumine the path of everyone who came in contact with her; and of the shining vistas that lie for her beyond the Valley of the Shadow. This shaft of golden light reminded us that beyond life's darkest clouds, God's love is ever shining and although tears of sorrow may cloud our vision—Christ is there. Our sorrowing hearts were filled with thankfulness to God for giving to our Church and our Society, a servant so gifted, and we rejoiced that she had been able to render such long and distinguished service in keeping the light of God's love burning in the world.

Rev. F. G. Vesey, her pastor, gave the beautiful farewell tribute. The Right Reverend, the Moderator, J. S. Shortt, D.D., opened the service and pronounced the benediction. Dr. A. S. Grant, Secretary, General Board of Missions, read the Scriptures and the Rev. Thomas Eakin, Ph.D., Principal of Knox College, led in prayer.

Members of the Council Executive, the Boards of Ontario Provincial and Toronto Presbyterial, and the office staff, attended in a body. Others present were, representatives of the General Board of Missions, Toronto Presbytery, Parkdale Presbyterian Church organizations, Canadian School of Missions, the Assembly's Board of Administration, Board of Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies, the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home, the Toronto branch of the Canadian Women's Press Club, members of the W.M.S. and many personal friends.

The Farewell Tribute

REV. F. G. VESEY

IF there is a higher privilege than to minister in spiritual things to the saints of God, it is the honor which is mine today, as I simply and humbly pay my sincere and grateful tribute to the ''Beloved of the Lord'', whose spirit has left us for the nearer Presence of her Saviour and God.

You will bear with me, for this is no easy task, to bid farewell to one, whose life had become so interwoven in the ''warp and woof'' of one's ministry. One feels that the best that he can say falls so short of his feelings of love and gratitude, of appreciation and praise, of which her life and work were so worthy—this life that bore so plainly and yet so gladly the ''Marks of the Lord Jesus''.

As our eyes today are dimmed by sorrow it seems that our loss is irreparable, and yet we know that she would encourage us to believe, as she ever did, that God's work must and will go on.

Some of you will remember what she wrote in the November issue of her beloved Magazine, taking the words of John Buchan, Lord High Commissioner of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, ''What the Church needs today is—pride in her past, courage in the present, confidence and hope in the future, strong hands and high hearts and humble minds. What we will need is a new song unto the Lord—new because we have to face a new world, a song because no work can be great and enduring, if we do not bring to it a lyrical uplift of heart.'' Those words describe truly our dear friend's attitude toward the future.

Many of you, gathered in this holy place to pay a tribute of love to her memory—many of you have lived and worked in close contact with her—could bear witness in far choicer phrases than mine to her noble and devoted service for Christ and His Kingdom—this good woman, whose price was far above rubies.

But what I must say to you is that for the nine years that it has been my privilege to be her minister, the fragrance of her Christlike life, the joyousness of her sunlit soul, and the calm and peace of her spirit have sweetened and sanctified the atmosphere in which I have labored.

What my ministry owes and what my Church owes to her membership, and fellowship, it would be difficult for any to realize, except they had lived and labored with her in the service of the Master. She loved her Church, her enjoyment in its advance and adventure were proven by her loyalty and labor. She was ever willing to make any sacrifice for the extension of the Kingdom of her Lord, and many of her secret sacrifices only the Father in Heaven knows.

You, who knew her intimately, will I am sure bear testimony with me, when I say that our Church, in all its history, never possessed a more conscientious and consecrated servant. She was a devoted supporter of all its good works. She was a gracious friend to every Home and Foreign Church worker. She was a champion of the weak, and a shelter to those in trouble. She magnified the virtues and minimized the failings of those whom she knew. Her generosity of mind and heart was abounding to all, and especially to those who were humbly trying to serve their King. A gracious friend to all who needed assistance, a patient and potent guide to those who sought her counsel, a fountain of sympathy to all whose hearts were sore and sorrowing. She had a genius for helpfulness. To her the ''Golden Mien of Christian Service'' was found in the thought of Jesus, when He said, ''Inasmuch as ye do it to the least of these My brethren, ye do it unto Me''. This was the very keynote of her life, from which the song of her soul was pitched.

She wrote in the January number of *Glad Tidings*,

''Dear Master as the old year dieth soon, Take Thou my harp;
And prove if any string be out of tune, or flat, or sharp!
Correct Thou, Lord, for me, what ringeth harsh to Thee,
That heart and life may sing, the new year long, Thy perfect song!''

And how appreciative and ready of praise was she, for any service one could render to her or to the Church she loved! The cheer and commendation that she gave, more than any of us deserved, were an inspiration that we shall sorely miss. Her generosity of soul was often couched in gracious terms, as she never missed an opportunity to thank one for some service.

Then, too, she ever maintained an intelligent interest in the work of the whole of Christ's Church, everywhere, keeping her hand on the pulse of the Church's life, in all communions, and in all lands. Thus by her knowledge, through her writings and addresses, she was able to create and stimulate a wide interest in the affairs of the Kingdom, in the heart of her large constituency.

Her spirit was ever aglow with the Evangel, and her zeal for the salvation of others was a flame which burned up, far too soon, it seems, the oil of her physical resources. Her very presence in the Church gatherings or in meetings of Committee or Council, was an inspiration, for her interest was ever alert and keen in all the Church's life and work, and even her silence spoke often to our hearts with no uncertain voice.

Her sunny disposition and her joyous attitude to life never allowed one to interpret her religion as merely a grave business. To her, there was a gaiety in Godliness, and she found glory and gain in her experiences of trial, tribulation and suffering. The exhortation of the great Apostle, ''to rejoice always'', was as important a part of her Christian duty, as his other exhortation, ''to pray without ceasing''.

And as I have thought over all these things, there has come to me, what I feel to be the only fitting tribute, even if one searched the whole world of literature. It is the word of our Master from the Beatitudes—''Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God''.

To me, these words express so simply and sweetly and satisfyingly the life, the work, the worship of my friend, and yours. They define her character and her conduct, her contact with God and with us, her communion with Him and her fellowship with others, define these things in a way we could not improve if we would. ''Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God''. These words fit, as it were, like a rich frame around the precious picture of her life, a life made beautiful by Grace Divine. She was ''Blessed'', because she was guileless, chaste, the very gold of goodness, as distinct from the alloy of selfishness. These words seem so fitly to match her life, she who was so fond of Nature in its purity, the flowers, the birds, the countryside, the sweet and simple things.

''Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. They shall see His face and His Name shall be on their foreheads''. We know that promise has been fulfilled for her, whom we have loved and lost.

And now, how can I speak worthily enough of the great far-reaching service her pen accomplished, right across our Dominion and overseas? A French statesman said that England was a land of two books. One she made and the other made her. One was Shakespeare and the other was the Bible. We might borrow those sentiments and say of our dear departed friend that she was a woman of two books, one she made and the other made her. One was *Glad Tidings* and the other was the ''Holy Scriptures''. I trust that someone will pay a fitting tribute to the value of her literary labors, her sagacious and soulful messages—those testimonies and tributes that went forth, month by month, from her desk. Those volumes of inspiration, cheer and guidance that became the very ''meat and drink'' to the W.M.S. women in every Church of the Presbyterian Communion right across Canada.

In her Magazine she presented the truth faithfully and fearlessly. She dealt with the difficulties and dangers of our day, but also told of that Power by which we might become ''more than conquerors''.

May we not honestly attribute much of the great success of our W.M.S. work in Canada to the pages of this Happy Magazine, whose Glad Tidings brought warmth and light, the flame of zeal and the brightness of hope to many a little isolated group of humble noble women, working for the Cause of Christ in the distant parts of our Home and Foreign fields. One felt, as he read the pages of the Magazine that the paragraphs were written by one who saw and knew God; by one whose prayers and passions were dedicated to the Church; one whose lamp of life shed its beams across every copy, even at the expense of burning up the oil of her strength.

As she so beautifully wrote in the December *Glad Tidings* of a faithful W.M.S. worker, who had been called to rest, so we can truly say of her ''A soul so wholly good can never die, but lives and loves to all eternity.''

All through her last illness, I was impressed by:— Her courage, her patience, and her peace; the loving care of her Dear Ones, whose hearts, though very sad today, are comforted with the knowledge that their Beloved is safe at rest, free from suffering, now in God's nearer Presence; and the loyal and loving attention of the Ladies of the Council Executive of the W.M.S.; the office staff; the hospital staff; and her own devoted Physician, Doctor Dennis Jordan.

To my Dear Friend and Sister in Christ Miss Mamie Fraser, as her minister and her sorrowing co-worker, I say:—

Sleep on, Beloved, sleep, and take thy rest;
Lay down thy head upon thy Saviour's breast;
We loved thee well, but Jesus loved thee best.

Until we meet again before His Throne
Clothed in the spotless robe He gives His own;
Until we know even as we are known,
Farewell!

"In Loving Remembrance"

THE final tribute of affectionate remembrance was paid to Miss Mamie Fraser, our beloved Editor of *Glad Tidings*, in a very intimate and reverent Service of Remembrance, held by Council Executive, at their weekly meeting in the Board Room of Knox College, February 19th. The President, Miss MacMurchy, conducted the service. She was assisted by those members who had been longest associated with Miss Fraser, as officers of the Women's Home Missionary Society—Mrs. D. Strachan, Mrs. D. T. L. McKerroll, and Mrs. A. R. McMurrich, daughter of Mrs. R. S. Smellie, the first President of this Society.

The service was opened by singing "The Lord's My Shepherd" and closed with that song of triumph,

"Fling open wide the golden gates,
And let the victors in."

It was an hour, not of sadness, but of happy memories. From the lips of our President came the impressive devotional service.

> When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
> Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.
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> Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word:
> For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
> Which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
> A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel.
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> Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.
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> In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
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> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.
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> And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

> Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

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> And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them.

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The President's tribute will be found on page 82.

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Mrs. Strachan in paying her tribute to Miss Fraser, said:

"It is hard to speak of one who has been so closely associated with one for upwards of twenty-five years and not seem fulsome in what one says, but I speak from my heart what I believe to be true of her life.

"The story of Miss Fraser's connection with our publications, is the story of the growth of our work. Step by step, as we went forward with our women's work, first, our foreign work and our home work, next, our amalgamated work, next, our work after separation, so step by step Miss Fraser went forward with her work on the different magazines until she was given charge of *The Glad Tidings* in 1925. We think of the effort she put into her *Glad Tidings* to increase its size and its circulation and make it worthy of what she believed to be a great Church and a great Society, till now it is a magazine we think any Church or Society would be proud of.

"Miss Fraser had many marked characteristics. One was her capacity for friendship, anyone who at any time was associated with Miss Fraser in the office kept and treasured her friendship long after they left, while her relations with our present staff remains as a sacred memory. One was something that we all need to learn, 'the greatest of these is charity'. One was her love and loyalty—her love and loyalty to her Church which was above all else; her loyalty at all times to her minister; her loyalty to her friends far and near; her love for her magazine, dear to her heart as her own child. She went away with her magazine under her pillow—the thing she prized more than anything else, after her friends.

"I like to think of Miss Fraser, as we saw her so often at her desk. Those are happy memories and we can retain nothing but happy memories of our friend. I like to think of her, as she dropped her frail body, left behind the suffering of this world, and went to meet her Saviour and hear his 'well done thou good and faithful servant'. I like to think of her as saying, 'Oh how wonderful!'—an expression she so often used. We must not think of her service as ended, let us rather think of her as entering upon a fuller service for her Master, Whose she was and Whom she served. While we are striving here to keep our faith in times like these and wondering what the fuller life hereafter may mean, our little, timid friend, Miss Fraser, has all knowledge and understands all mysteries.

''So we now pay our last public tribute to her memory, proud to have counted her as our friend. The memory of her life, her friendship, her many kindnesses, will never leave us until we too come to know life's mysteries.''

Resolution in Memory of Miss Fraser

PRESENTED to the Council Executive of the Women's Missionary Society, of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, February 26th, 1935.

Forasmuch as it hath pleased Almighty God, of His great mercy, to take unto Himself the soul of our sister, Mamie Catherine Georgina Fraser, one of our number and the beloved editor of the *Glad Tidings* we, the members of the Council Executive desire to place on record our sorrow in her death and our grateful remembrance of her life and labors in which it was our joy to share.

For twenty-five years, as an officer of the Board of the Women's Missionary Society, Miss Fraser helped with tact, wisdom, and faithfulness to conduct the business of the Society. She did outstanding editorial work for the *Home Mission Pioneer*, *The Missionary Messenger*, the *Bulletin* and *The Glad Tidings* and in the Annual Reports of our Society. The newspapers gladly published the accurate information about Presbyterian affairs which she gave them. She aimed at perfection in her work, striving by correctness of statement, beauty of expression and wide variety of matter to educate and inspire her readers.

We remember her unfailing kindness, quick sympathy and constant loyalty. We love to recall her sense of humour, her eager enthusiasms, her love of poetry and noble speech, her delight in honoring true worth and her quiet confident trust in God. Her heart and mind dwelt continually on ''*whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report*''—and these bore their fruit in her life.

We give thanks to God for the life of this devoted daughter of the Church and would express our sympathy to her sisters and brothers, the other members of her family, her fellow-workers and many friends. We rejoice with them ''in sure and certain hope of the Resurrection to eternal life, through our Lord Jesus Christ.''

''And I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them.''

Editorial

Our President Honored

AT the forty-second annual meeting of The Foreign Missions Conference of North America, held in Garden City in January, Miss MacMurchy was appointed a member of the Committee of Reference and Council, which is the Executive body of the Conference. The Foreign Missions Conference has, in past years, been the means of achieving many valuable results in co-operation at home and abroad, and we extend congratulations to our President in her appointment to office on such an important Committee.

Welcome Visitors

A WELCOME visitor at the Council Executive recently was Miss Ethel M. Chisholm, of the Mackay Memorial Hospital, Taihoku, Formosa. Miss Chisholm is home on her first furlough. Quietly but vividly she pictured for us the life of the hospital in which she holds the position of Superintendent of nurses. ''Work in our hospital,'' she said, ''is much the same as in Canadian hospitals, except that here you get them in the first stages, while there we get them in the last stages, and it often seems a miracle when they get better. While they are in our midst there is not one who does not see or hear something of the Gospel. We do not often know the results, we can only give out the message.''

At the same meeting the Executive had the privilege of welcoming Dr. and Mrs. Cropper of British Guiana. Dr. Cropper, who has been a missionary in British Guiana for forty years, briefly outlined the work carried on at the Girls' High School, in New Amsterdam. ''It is among the East Indian girls, that this school primarily works,'' he stated. ''While there is an increase of these girls, the reason the number is not larger, is because we have no hostel for the girls, and so cannot accept many of the applications which we receive. Last year, for the first time, a girl student of our school passed with honors. Had it been possible to do so, this qualified her to attend university.''

At a later meeting, Rev. L. L. Young, D.D., of Kobe, Japan, in addressing the Executive, stressed the need of medical work for the Koreans in Osaka. ''We are praying for it, and it is resting on our hearts'', said Dr. Young. ''There are about 120,000 Koreans, packed in the narrow streets known as the slum district of Osaka. We know case after case, where Koreans have refused to send for a Japanese doctor because of their poverty. The need of some medical work is very great. It is also a splendid opportunity for doing evangelistic work as medical work has been one of the best agencies for carrying on Christian work among the Koreans.''

The President, in welcoming Dr. Young, congratulated him on the honor so recently conferred upon him, that of receiving the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from the Acadia University, Wolfville, N.S.

The Late Mr. John M. Poole

WE extend our deep sympathy to Mrs. John M. Poole, our beloved Secretary for School Residences and Hospitals, in the death of her husband, Mr. John M. Poole. Mr. Poole was long known in the printing world in Toronto. His business was known as that of the Westminster Press. For five years of the period following 1925, he printed the Sunday School helps for the Presbyterian Church until the work was taken over by Presbyterian Publications. In her sorrow, Mrs. Poole has the sympathy, not only of her co-workers, but also of the staff in her departments, who earnestly pray with us that God's comfort and consolation may sustain her in her great loss.

Veteran Missionaries Return Home

AT the date of going to press, we learn of the safe arrival in Canada, of those honored missionaries of our Church, Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Goforth. During their forty-seven years of service in China and Manchuria, they have seen many changes sweep over the Eastern Empire. In the Manchuria Mission Field Dr. Goforth leaves a thriving Church with an able staff of several native Chinese preachers.

In Memory of Miss Fraser

THE cut of Miss Fraser's picture, the coated paper and the beautiful type used in this issue, the gift of the Murray Printing Company, was presented as a token of their affection and esteem for Miss Fraser, and in memory of their many years of cordial association with her.

Work Among Jews

NEVER before in the history of the Christian world has there been such a critical situation facing the Jewish race. The persecution they have been suffering in Poland, Rumania and Germany has beggared them economically and disfranchised them politically. Every Christian should have a sympathetic understanding of these conditions and we are glad to have, in this issue, considerable information of work being carried on today among the Jewish people.

FAVORABLE comment has been made on the poem ''Sound the Clarion!'' which appeared in the January number. It appeared unsigned, but has been published in *The Living Message,* the official organ of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Church of England, and signed with the initials C. V. P. We wish to pass on this word of appreciation and to give credit to the author of this stirring poem who signs it so modestly.

Treasurer's Statement for 1934

THE auditor's statement was received and accepted by the Council Executive at its meeting on February 12th, and will appear later in the Annual Report.

The following is an abbreviated statement of receipts and expenditures. This year, as you know, our Trust Funds are each in a separate account so that every thing listed under receipts is for the estimates.

Receipts		
Alberta	$ 4,039.80	
British Columbia	4,900.00	
Manitoba	3,564.41	
Ontario	109,000.00	
Quebec	15,595.00	
Saskatchewan	2,173.76	
		$139,272.97
Individual subscriptions and special refunds		5,713.31
Interest		249.97
Government Grant for Education of Indian Girl		150.00
		$145,386.25
Government Grants for Indian Schools		34,587.52
		$179,973.77
Disbursements		$147,767.83
Government Grants for Indian Schools		34,587.52
		$182,355.35

We have spent $147,767.83 and have received $145,386.25 so that there is a deficit of $2,381.58. But do not let us lose sight of the fact that our estimate was $158,000—what a good thing we did not go ahead and spend it!

Provincial givings for 1933 were $141,970.59, but $1,656.06 belonged to 1932, so were really $140,314.53
Provincial givings for 1934 were 139,272.97

Behind in Provincial givings 1,041.56

Quebec is the only Province which sent more in 1934 than in 1933. Ontario sent exactly the same and the other Provinces are behind.

Receipts for estimates in 1933	$145,889.00
Receipts for estimates in 1934	145,386.00
	$ 503.00 less
Disbursements in 1933	$142,098.45
Disbursements in 1934	147,767.13
	$ 5,668.68 more

The increase in expenditure is nearly all attributable to two items—the Council Meeting and Exchange. In our Diamond Jubilee year we could hardly have forgone the first and we had to pay the exchange to get our money to India.

Enlarged Council Executive in 1933	$1,053.00
Reduced Council in 1934	3,266.00
Exchange in 1933	$2,548.26
Exchange in 1934	4,797.73

But remember there are several new and much needed buildings going up in India which increased the amount of exchange.

I wish to bring to the attention of all our members that we would have had a much larger deficit had it not been for the refunds sent from several of our institutions.

The expenditure in South Porcupine Hospital in 1934 was	$3,221.00
We received a refund from South Porcupine Hospital in 1934	2,500.00
So that Hospital cost our Society	$ 721.00
The expenditure for Vegreville Hospital was	$3,223.00
We received a refund of	225.00
The Hospital cost our Society	$2,998.00
The expenditure for two Residences in Vegreville	$4,175.31
We received a refund for fees and board	1,162.68
The two Residences cost the Society	$3,012.63

We can safely say that every other institution kept down expenditures by paying for only absolutely necessary repairs from the money on hand, by doing without other things, and by doing much repair work with their own hands.

If we compare the estimate of each department with the expenditure we find that in almost every case they are underspent. This is wonderful in keeping down the deficit of the Society but bad in other ways. I said the estimate was $158,000, we spent $147,767, but did not raise it. We needed to spend the $158,000 and should have done so but hesitated and withheld money because we feared a deficit. What gives us all concern is that we fear we may have saved, particularly in Canada, at the expense of flesh and blood, our workers. Are we asking too much of them?

We had to draw from the Sustaining Fund for emergencies which came to us, and for which we had no estimate. When the flood came in British Guiana we had to send $200.00, for the relief of our Church people there; $100.00 for Western Relief also came from this Fund. At Huntingdon, where the Presbyterian Church was celebrating its 100th anniversary and dignitaries from far and near were coming, it was unthinkable that the Residence should be left looking down at the heels and we drew $475 from the Sustaining Fund and had it repainted. The refunds on the salaries of our missionaries overseas amounting to $1,974.83 was also taken from this Fund. We did not *borrow* from the Sustaining Fund this year we just *took* the money.

I am not blaming anyone for our steady decline, neither am I discouraged, in fact I think our statement is good as far as it goes, but I do worry about our estimates of $160,000 for 1935. Look at them and you will see that they are just bare bones and pretty prosaic, with the exception of work paid for by money from the Legacy Fund, which neither you nor I gave. We are holding on, but no more. Property will deteriorate, workers will grow tired. Can we do better this year? The Special Campaign is ended. Do not, however, lose sight of the way that money was raised—by small amounts. Let those coppers this year find their way into our Treasury.

Fishing in Rice Fields

''In the Orient in some parts you can see grown men sitting fishing in rice fields in water one foot deep while within sight of them the great ocean rolls. We may smile at them, but have you ever sat in a conference and heard ponderous debates on trivialities—fishing in rice fields. And all the time roaring in our ears is the demand for God, for human brotherhood, world evangelization. There is where we should be fishing—it is dangerous but worth while.''—*Stanley Jones.*

(MRS. DANIEL) HELEN M. STRACHAN,
Treasurer.

Special Campaign Fund

WITH this statement the Special Campaign Fund ends.

It was first spoken of at the Enlarged Council Executive meeting in May, 1932, but really the campaign did not begin till the Fall of 1932, and ended December 31st, 1934.

The amount received during that period is:

Alberta	$ 793.74		
British Columbia	1,086.28		
Manitoba	841.32		
Ontario	18,497.20		
Quebec	1,854.21		
Saskatchewan	537.08		
Special contributions	76.45		
Interest	536.29		
		$24,222.57	
Less Expense		764.21	
			$23,458.36

So we have fallen short of our promise of $25,000 by $1,541.64.

According to instructions of the Council in Montreal, this deficit will be made up from the Sustaining Fund, that our promise may be implemented. Also, according to instructions, our cheque for $25,000 has gone to the Church Treasurer with the understanding that it is to be used only towards the liquidation of the accumulated Church deficit reported in 1932, *viz.*, $184,000.

The expenses of $764.21 were incurred by getting out the yellow boxes and the Mission Band boxes, fact sheets 1 and 2, and the expense money sent to all Provinces at the beginning of the campaign, and postage on fact sheet No. 2 sent from the office.

We are glad that over the period of the last two years, when money seems so hard to get for Church purposes, the missionary women of our Church have been enabled to keep their own work at a fair standard and to give $25,000 to our Church for the deficit now hanging over her, which we trust will soon be a thing of the past. Let us think of this $25,000 as a Diamond Jubilee gift from the Women's Missionary Society, Western Division, of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

(MRS. DANIEL) HELEN M. STRACHAN,
Convener of Special Campaign Committee.

An Acknowledgment from Dr. A. S. Grant, Secretary of the General Board of Missions

Dear Mrs. Strachan:

AS Secretary of the General Board of Missions, and also as Secretary of the Budget and Stewardship Committee, and as one who outlined a plan for the raising of certain monies apart from givings of congregations through the budget, I am writing to convey to you and to your Council Executive and to all those who took part in raising this large sum of money, amounting to $25,000.00, for the work of the Presbyterian Church in Canada through this period of depression, our sincerest thanks.

This in itself is one of the most magnanimous, self-sacrificing things that has come under my observation in the history of our Church. Your Board during this period of depression and with the tremendous volume of work for which you were responsible has made this additional contribution to the general funds of the Church, and as one who made this request of you I wish to convey to you my sincerest thanks.

Your Board will be pleased to know that apart from the receipts from congregations as such under the budget, the plan that was outlined when I met with the different spending Boards and when I waited on your Council has been with one or two exceptions a success and the bulk of the monies has already been paid in. I have not yet learned what has been done with reference to the amount asked for by the Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies but hope to hear very soon from that source.

Will you be good enough to convey to the women of the Women's Missionary Society of the Western Division our appreciation of this splendid service that they have rendered to our beloved Church. I am hoping that during this Jubilee Year, and the 10th anniversary from the time of separation, we will be able to wipe out our standing indebtedness by appealing to congregations as such.

Yours sincerely,
A. S. GRANT.

February 7th, 1935.

The Scott Institute Fresh Air Camp

BY ANNIE A. ZEIDMAN

THERE were once two old houses, standing at the end of a lane of poplars, near the Lake. At one time they had been gay with paint, and brave with fancy woodwork on their porches. But time and the weather had robbed them of their beauty, and they sat, forlorn and forsaken, through the quiet years.

There was no lack of beauty around them, for when the Spring came, and all the little gentle things began to grow, even the old ravine at the back door of the houses was wrapped in a cloak of green, and between them and the misty hills, the apricots and peaches fluttered a pink veil with flounces of cherry blossoms. As the days grew warmer, the elusive perfume of the grape blossoms drifted down from the vineyards like incense. Then, when the golden summer sunlight transformed, Midas-like, every nook and cranny, the lake, beneath the cliff, gurgled and laughed like a baby, playing with the pebbles. The poplars whispered all day in the breeze, and at night stood guard, like sentinels in the moonlight. When the frost sounded its warning in the orchards and fields, little friends in fur and feather, slipped down from the woods, and enjoyed the hospitality which the old houses offered them, from the festoons of wild grapevine and the hickory trees. But the winter was a lonesome time, when the snow covered road and meadow; not a sound, not a foot-mark, all still, so still.

Then, one day, in the early Springtime, two excited people came up the lane. They walked all over and around the old houses; they measured this, and measured that, and waved their arms, and talked, sometimes separately, but mostly together. By the time they went away, the old houses had come to the conclusion that at last, at last, someone was going to live in them again. They understood, too, that carpenters were coming, and the poor old dears fairly trembled with excitement. But when the carpenters arrived, they were not at all what the old houses had expected, for they talked the queerest language, and insisted on walking around amongst the nails and other sharp things, in their bare feet, and ate tomatoes, and sardines right out of the can. The old houses began to wonder, if, after all, these people who were coming were the Best People, for, you know, they had never been used to anyone else. However, they had to admit that the carpenters, queer as they were, were doing wonderful things. First of all, they joined the two front rooms together by a wide passageway, so that, in a way, the two houses became one. Then they built such splendid porches, upstairs and downstairs, all along one side and across the back. They screened them in with netting, and called them ''sleeping-porches''. And there seemed no end to the windows they made. Oh, how new life seemed to flow back through all their timbers, as the sunshine came leaping into the rooms.

The next workers to arrive were armed with pails of soapy water and brooms. How the dust and dirt rushed away; only the spiders and their families just pulled up their toes a little higher, and smiled superciliously.

Scott Institute Fresh Air Home, Grimsby

But they smiled too soon, for someone came with a hose, and at the first gush of water,—the spiders snatched their children and fled.

Then the houses heard that they were to get new bonnets, red ones, imagine, and so much more becoming than the old shingle ones. And they were to have new gowns of lovely brown paint. They were quite flustered when a minister in overalls began to lay on the paint in long, even strokes, so that it fairly glistened.

One day, a truck drove up to the door, and off came so very many beds, sturdy white iron ones, and packing cases, just bursting with quilts and pillows and sheets. Whoever could have sent them? The houses listened carefully, and when they heard something about the ladies of the Presbyterian W.M.S. sending all this, and more, they sighed a little sigh of relief, for now they *knew* that the Best People were to live there.

All the rejuvenating work was done now, and the next thing was the dedication. It was a very lovely day when a group of interested ministers and their charming wives came to perform the ceremony. How happy everyone was, and how satisfied.

One morning, the houses woke to a thrill of suppressed excitement. The Day had come! By mid-afternoon they could hardly contain themselves with curiosity, when suddenly, down the lane, came their new tenants. The houses gasped in consternation. Could these be the Best People? Weary, travel-stained Mothers carrying weary, very travel-stained babies; rather rowdy little boys looking for mischief; pale-droopy little girls, listless with the heat; baby carriages, suit-cases, satchels and paper parcels, some tied with string and some not tied at all. What a scramble! What a running to and fro! ''Boys line up here. Girls line up over here. Mothers and babies come with me''.

''Teacher, kin my little brother sleep with me?'' ''Teacher, kin I have two cushions?'' ''Teacher, do we each get a bed to ourself? There's lots of room for our baby to sleep with me.'' ''Teacher, where's the basement?'' ''Teacher, kin we go swimmin?''

Order at last. Then supper. How good it smelt! Salmon patties, golden and crisp, green peas, bread and butter, and more bread and butter, fruit and milk, with fragrant tea for the Mothers. Everyone has had a wash, and a rest; everyone has enjoyed a good supper. Volunteers are called from among the bigger boys and girls for dishwashing. Such a hearty response! The Mothers and rejected volunteers drift outside into the quiet evening. Soon there are shouts of joy from the sports-field; but the Mothers just sit. They can hardly believe that they are awake; that the supper, the quiet coolness, the happy children, are not all a dream. Peace, such peace!

Then a bell rings. Is this the end of the dream, then? But no, it turns out that the bell is just the summons for evening service. By this time, the lamps are lit in the big dining-room, and little Presbyterian hymn books are laid out on the table. Soon the good old hymns ring out: ''Unto the Hills Around'', ''O God of Bethel'', ''When Mothers of Salem'', ''O Come, O Come Immanuel'', ''Give to our God Immortal Praise'', and many more. Then the hush of prayer, broken only by the chanting of ''Our Father, Which Art in Heaven''. How the childish cadences carry the message out through the listening twilight. Who could forget the poignancy of the repeated phrase ''As we forgive our debtors; as we forgive our debtors''. How the boys get their chance to shine in the crescendo ''For Thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory''! Then comes a little Bible story, with a lovely thought to keep through the hours of sleep. Soon all the little ones are in bed, and the Mothers are enjoying, yea, luxuriating in their ''night-cap''—a cup of tea, bread and butter, and jam. They enjoy themselves so much and the years are smoothed from their faces by the hand of innocent joy.

All through the night the old houses brood over the white beds. Some of the Mothers cannot sleep—it is so strange to have no worries: for the next twelve days there will be safety, abundant food, and loving care for the children; no bill-collector or troublesome official can reach them here; there is no irksome toil awaiting them in the morning; nothing to do but enjoy the glorious summer weather, with time to eat in peace, and time to reflect that, after all, God is good, time to hear more of the love of Jesus, to hear of Him, perhaps, for the first time.

So the twelve days passed, and another twelve days began, with more weary Mothers and droopy children, to be transformed into brave and happy folk again. And that Summer whirled away, all too fast, and other Summers came. The houses, no longer old, but growing more attractive year by year, loved to listen for the comments of the passers-by. ''That lovely singing? Why, those are the children at the Scott Institute Fresh Air Home. I understand that it is a work of the Presbyterian Church. Let us stand and listen to the Lord's Prayer. I always get a blessing from it.''

Little voices in the twilight; little bodies soaking up the sunshine, little hearts learning to praise God; little prayers of thanksgiving ascending to Him, for those whose love and generosity made possible all this miracle of new health, new knowledge and new faith.

We, as a Women's Missionary Society, give a yearly grant of $100 towards this camp.

Highlights in Jewish Work

DR. CONRAD HOFFMANN, JR., Secretary of the International Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews, will be in Toronto in April and will lecture at the School of Missions. Dr. Hoffmann is one of the outstanding authorities on the Christian approach to the Jews and his visit will be looked forward to with much interest.

Dedication of the Chapel of the Prince of Peace

On Thursday, November 15th, 1934, in the presence of a large and representative congregation, His Grace the Primate dedicated the chapel of the Nathanael Institute, the Toronto Diocesan Mission to the Jews, to be known as the Chapel of the Prince of Peace. For some years the hope of such a sanctuary had been continually before the Mission staff, and finally, due largely to the generosity of many friends, the dream became a reality. Over the door of the chapel its name is proclaimed in English and Hebrew, commemorating the title of Jesus and Messiah which was first enunciated by the prophet Isaiah, and is dear to the heart of Christian and Hebrew alike.

In a simple but dignified service, the Primate ''set apart to His Glory, on behalf of His Church and people, this Chapel to bear henceforth the name of The Chapel of The Prince of Peace, to the honor and glory of the Holy Trinity.''

''The Chapel,'' Rev. G. F. Kingston said in his address, ''was appropriately named, for it would contribute to this mission of peace which the Church of Christ inherited from her Founder. In it man would make his peace with God, and through its influence and worship a bond of peace between Jew and Gentile would be manifested.''—*The Living Message.*

Prayer for Jewish Work

The following prayer for work among the Jews has been taken from *The Living Message,* and many of our readers may wish to use it:

''We pray that it may please Thee to guide those in charge of Christian Missions to Jews of the dispersion, wherever they may be, especially those in Canada; to deliver Jews who are oppressed by persecution, misrepresentation, and ill-will; and to grant that Christians may seek in love to unveil to them the reality of God in the face of Jesus Christ, Who is the glory of Israel.''

The News Sheet supplied by the International Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews contains many interesting items, four of which we are passing on to our readers.

News from Scotland

''This winter I am assistant in a church . . . which is in a district into which Jews are quickly coming as they get on in the world. I am doing the parish, door-to-door, visitation, and have been in many Jewish homes. They *all* receive me more than kindly. I tell them at once I am from the church, and we have great talks. Moreover we discuss the Budapest mission, especially its Jewish work. I always tell them what I am going to do. What charming people Jews are, really. And what *sacrificial* lives some of them are living. I think many of them live the life of the Cross for others in a way that would put many Christians to shame. And how much they have to put up with! I was in a house last week where the couple had only just got home to find an empty, cold house, and no food ready, but a scribbled note 'dirty Jews.' The maid had been in the house two days and just discovered they were Jews, and had left. Yet they kept me three hours!

''At the opposite pole I may tell you this incident. In the house of a newly married couple I asked them incidentally if their Gentile neighbors were decent to them. 'When we came here,' they replied, 'we didn't know a soul, but on returning from our honeymoon we discovered that every house in the terrace had sent us in flowers to await us.'

‘‘I have managed to stir up the young men’s guild of the Church of Scotland on the Jewish question. The young men’s guild includes most of the young men in the church. I sent a speaker to their executive, who greatly moved them. So they arranged a large meeting . . . which was very successful.’’

What Christians Should Remember and Jews Forget

‘‘The only redeeming hope of the world can be that Israel and Christendom stand together.

‘‘Christians should remember at this season that nowhere is there to be found the faintest scintilla of evidence that Christ sought to take Himself out of the Jewish people or to create an ecclesiastical organization to supersede the synagogue wherein as a Jewish child he had been reared.

‘‘If at times Jesus spoke in grave rebuke to them among His brothers who seemed to be wanting in the vision or the will to obey the word of God it must be admitted that He was no harsher nor severer than have been the prophets of every age who, without forsaking or deserting their people, have almost uniformly employed terms of bitterest reproach against them.

‘‘The Jew would sin if he forgot in this crisis of the world’s history, in the presence of perhaps the mightiest insurrection of paganism and barbarism which the world has witnessed in 1,000 years, the only redeeming hope of the world can be that Israel and Christendom stand together in united resistance to the enslaving forces of that barbaric paganism which would reinstate the godlets of passion and of lust and substitute them for the God of justice and of truth and of love whom Christian and Jew together worship.’’—*Rabbi Stephen S. Wise.*

God and Israel

‘‘The message of our Judaism is this: You cannot make man the centre of the world. That place belongs to God! Every effort you make will but wrack you by the pain of its futility. God is still the creator of the heavens and the earth and all that in them is and man may ignore God at his peril—not for God’s sake, but for his own. God must once more be made the centre of man’s world; all creation and life conceived as manifestations of the supreme mind and will and love which are God!’’—*Rabbi Morris S. Lazaron.*

307,312 Jews in Palestine

‘‘According to information given by the January 3, 1935, issue of the *Jewish Daily Bulletin* there are now 307,312 Jews in Palestine, representing 26% of the total population of the country. The Jewish immigration to Palestine in the year 1934 totaled 57,312. One wonders whether so large a migration can be absorbed without serious difficulties under present conditions in Palestine.’’

The Jew in the World Ferment

"This book by Basil Mathews is a real contribution to Christian literature concerning the Jews. What gives this volume particular value as a mission study text-book is its sympathetic treatment of the problems of the Jew in a changing world, the conflict of loyalties which young Jews face in an environment far removed from that of their fathers, the attitude of Jews to Christianity, and the responsibility of Christians to respect the Jewish people and interpret to them the Christian faith in the spirit of humility and love. The author is doubtless right in his contention when he declares: 'To say today that the Jews have rejected Christ is simply not true. For the most part they have had no opportunity of seeing Him.' This is the real challenge of the Jew to the Christian Church in our time."

In the Steps of the Master

The reader of the Gospels who has wondered what Bethlehem is like to-day, how Nazareth and the Lake of Galilee impress a modern observer, will find his questions answered in this book by H. V. Morton. It is a faithful account of a journey made to the Holy Land in search of every town and village associated with the Life and Ministry of Jesus Christ. The author goes right through Palestine, Syria, and Trans-Jordan, observing those things still visible to-day which illustrate or illuminate the Life and Teaching of Christ.

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

EASTER will soon be here, and the W.M.S. Publications Department has such fascinating programme helps for Mission Bands, Auxiliaries or classes. The reading of an Easter thought, the introduction of Easter music lifts the meetings at this season to the beauty and inspiration of this most wonderful of all holy days.

EASTER TIDINGS, a splendid book of Easter hymns, dialogues and recitations, price each 35c.

HE IS RISEN--Go and Tell, a programme for boys and girls, very complete, could be used whole or parts might be adapted, price each 15c.

PRIMARY AND JUNIOR SONGS for Easter, a delightful little book of songs, price 35c each.

THE RISEN CHRIST, an Easter pageant for adults, containing four scenes with choruses and dramatic parts, price 10c.

(These or others may be had on approval)

DIARY—Would you like a neat red leather diary, prepared for daily appointments, with budget and address lists? These are prepared by the Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, and because the year is partly gone, we are selling them for 45c each.

FELLOWCITIZENS—The new study book for this year and next, to be used in Auxiliaries, sells for 35c each or $3.50 per dozen.

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New Books for a Leisure Hour

COURAGEOUS WOMEN, the story of a number of outstanding women, many of whom were pioneers in Canadian life, written by Mabel B. McKinley, L. M. Montgomery and Marian Keith. In cloth $1.50.

IN THE STEPS OF THE MASTER, by H. V. Morton, is so popular that it is difficult to keep it in stock, but a new shipment has arrived. Price $2.50 per copy.

THE HOUSE OF EXILE, by Nora Wahn, one of the most delightful books ever written on China. Twelve editions have been printed. Price $2.50 per copy.

YOUNG WOMEN

IDOLS FALLING IN CHINA

IN thousands of homes in China the idols are falling down. Change has come like a shock. Ideas and standards have been shuffled in striking fashion. The old religions are tottering ruins. The temples are vacated. The control of the older generation has slipped away. The youth is in the lead and seeking new ways. As a result evangelism is experiencing a golden age of opportunities. Everywhere around us a clarion call for service is sounded. What will take the place of the idols? Communism or Christianity?

In China it is always exceedingly difficult for members of families to make an individual decision to break away from idol worship. But many of the Chinese are no longer worshipping idols at the temples. They are in the grip of a spiritual hunger. The harvest of China is open to any claimant. Shall Bolshevism reap it?

Chinese of today are, practically speaking, without a religion, without their many gods. They are open to leadership, asking for anything that promises to uplift, welcoming any idealism. ''I am seeking for something worth while to live for,'' is the crying need often heard today.

The idols are falling and something will have to take their place. Russia has already hundreds of Chinese students working as volunteer agents in all parts of the country. Humanism of a non-theistic tendency is already a potent force in the hearts of many a Chinese youth. If Christ Jesus is to be the Saviour of the individual and the re-generator of present living conditions, the Church of Christ in all lands must face the challenge and spread the Glad Tidings to those who have not yet heard.

—*Adapted from The Missionary Review of the World.*

YOUNG WOMEN'S TRAVELLING SECRETARIES

SPLENDID results have been obtained from the intensive work which our Young Women's Travelling Secretaries, Miss Laura K. Pelton and Miss Shirley Scott, have been carrying on among the young women in Ontario Provincial, during the past few months. And we are glad that arrangements have been made for the young women in the other provinces to receive this inspiration. Miss Pelton started work in British Columbia after the new year and will follow the itinerary arranged for her in the four western provinces. Miss Scott carried on work in Quebec during the month of February.

Miss Pelton's Leadership Course and Miss Scott's Prepared Studies, have been the means of assisting the young women to think more objectively, have provided the means of putting into practice the high ideals by which they are inspired, and have made them conscious of new possibilities and new avenues of service.

May we draw your attention to the fact that although there is an apparent increase in the salaries of the Young Women's Travelling Secretaries, it is really a decrease, as the amount allowed for travelling expenses is decreased, thus making a considerable saving to the Society.

Since 1925, Miss Pelton and Miss Scott, in different fields, have each made a splendid contribution to the upbuilding of the W.M.S. Today, as they seek to help the young women to appreciate their own contribution in the service to which they have given their allegiance, shall we not all pray God's blessing on them and their work.

—*Fergie D. Holman.*

BE STRONG

Be strong in faith and courage: ever true
  To that still Voice which urges you along.
Press onward: There is naught can hinder you:
  Be strong!
Have vision: hold the great ideal in view.
  God gives man power to conquer hate and wrong,
Christ's message lives for Gentile as for Jew,
  Each one of us receives at last his due:
The blind man sight, the luckless poet song.
  Go forward then: your waning strength renew:
  Be strong!

—*William James Price.*

Prayer

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, we come with reverence to Thy mercy seat, honoring and praising Thy Holy Name. We thank Thee for Thy revelation of love through Jesus Christ, and for all that He has brought to our lives of inspiration and guidance and hope. We thank Thee for the tasks Thou hast given us, and for Thy presence and help as we undertake them. Inspire us, we pray Thee, to live in unbroken companionship with Thee. Be quick to strengthen us when the lure of the world is upon us, and when we are tempted to put the things that perish above the things that are eternal. Give us a great hunger after righteousness, and help us to be genuine in all we do and say and think. We thank Thee for the gift of prayer. Teach us how to pray that our praying may be with power. We would come to Thee with definite requests, and with expectant faith for the blessings which we ask. May we as women feel the responsibility of living in these days. May we have the passion to help in winning the world back to Thee. Open all eyes to such a vision of the world's need that many more may share in the joy of sending the Gospel to those who have it not. We would pray especially for Thy servants who are serving Thee in lands across the seas. Give them strength of body, peace of mind and the joy of Thy Presence continually. Bless we pray Thee, Thy faithful stewards, Dr. and Mrs. Goforth, as they return to the homeland. We thank Thee for their long life of service, for their powerful witness and for the holy passion possessing them to tell the news of Thy great salvation. We give Thee thanks for the long and valued service of Dr. and Mrs. Cropper in British Guiana and pray that their stay at home may bring them the needed refreshment of body and spirit. Wilt Thou bless the ministry of all workers in our own land, whether in the crowded city, on the prairie or among the pioneers who are bravely making new homes in a new land. Bless their efforts abundantly as they endeavor to build places of worship and further Christ's Kingdom. Forgive us our sins, and grant these our petitions in the name of Christ. Amen.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

THE POSTER CONTEST

IS your group hard at work upon an entry for the Poster Contest? The closing date is April 15th, and the posters should be forwarded to the Girls' Work Secretary, Room 701, 372 Bay St., Toronto, by that time. Get out your brushes and pencils and send in an entry. Don't forget that the rules for the contest are in the November *Glad Tidings,* and that we want every church to compete.

Poetry Day in Japan

"So dearly do the Japanese people love poetry that one day each year is set aside as Poetry Day. This comes at the New Year time. On this day there is a great Court ceremony. The Emperor chooses a subject, and any one in the whole country may write a poem about it and present it at the palace. The best of these poems are chosen to be read at the Court and published in the newspapers.

A happy custom in Japan is to speed a parting guest with good wishes made into original verses. These are chanted as a farewell. Another interesting custom is the giving of a 'party' in honor of some very fine flowering bush or tree when it is at its best. The guests admire it and write verses about it on slips of paper. These are hung in the branches.

Indeed the very thoughts of the people seem to be in poetry. As they go about their various duties they are making verses. In their hearts that love for the beauties of the changing seasons, the coming and going of the flowers, the clouds, the birds, all find expression in these simple and beautiful little verses.

Is it any wonder that a Poetry Day is celebrated in Japan? It is a day when boys and girls, grandmothers and grandfathers pour out the secret treasures of their heart in these precious little poems. And don't you think it is a day when each one is hoping and hoping that his poem may be found worthy to be read at Court?"—*Selected.*

A Journey in Japan

If you were a school boy in Japan, one spring day you might set out with several other boys and with your teacher on a tour of the nearby villages—to interest other children in hearing of Jesus and His life. I have found for you a story of one of these tours, and in our imaginations let us join the hikers.

"Passing through a village on our way, we stopped at a shrine over the gate of which a grinning devil stood guard. The shrine was to an ancient national hero who has become a sort of patron saint. . . . This probably represented the religious background of most of the children to whom we should speak that day.

At school we ate the lunches we had brought. Each boy had three lumps of sticky, cold rice as big as a large orange, with a pickle or bit of fish inside. I have not yet learned to enjoy this kind of sandwich, and I must confess that mine were made of bread. The principal of the school hospitably served us tea as we sat about the brazier over which the tea kettle simmered. Four feet away we did not mind the heat on that hot day, but this brazier, burning charcoal, is all that hundreds of families in this region have to keep them warm when the snow is three feet deep on the level and the winter winds howl. No wonder some hands and faces in winter take on an almost permanent dull red as if they hadn't been warm for a week.

But this was summer. Soon the children began to come. Do not picture a mob of slant-eyed little boys such as the cartoons show. . . . . The majority of these little fellows would pass for Italians or Greeks, and some of them for Americans.

I tried to talk with some of them before the meeting began. They were torn between bashfulness at seeing this tall, lanky foreigner, and curiosity to hear the funny, childish sentences he used, and the ridiculous mistakes he made with common words. They had come, not to hear a Christian message, but to hear a programme by some group with a strange name from a nearby school. I told them that Jesus was the greatest person who ever lived, and to take every chance they got to learn about Him. It was several months after this before I had sufficient vocabulary to tempt me into a real telling of the story of Jesus.

The boys from our school sang songs and told stories, each with a Christian message in it. Our audience of one hundred and fifty boys and girls listened eagerly, and applauded noisily when we promised to come again next year. That night our boys slept in the school building, and a Christian man in town treated them all to a real supper in his house, and sent them eggs for breakfast.

We went on walking for a few hours and then ate rice and sipped tea in another school. Five hundred children and some grown people were in our audience that afternoon. I thought of the dreadful face over the gate shrine and then of the gentle, loving Master whom we were going to tell them about.

A third afternoon was spent at another school, and then we all returned home, happy, but tired.''—Adapted from the *Message*.

—*O. M. Hill.*

Our grand business is not to see
What is dimly in the distance,
But to do what is clearly at hand.—*Carlyle.*

MISSION BANDS

A DREAM THAT CAME TRUE

ONCE upon a time, not so very long ago, there lived in Toronto a fair-haired, blue-eyed little girl called Jessie MacBean. She was a very happy little girl, always merry and full of fun with a kind word and a smile for everyone. She was, too, a very busy little girl for as well as her lessons at school she had work to do in her home.

Jessie went to St. John's Church on Broadview Avenue and was a member of the Mission Band there. In those days the girls did not go from the Mission Band to the Girls' Organization as they do now; they started in the Children's Band, then went to the Girls' Band, and later joined the Young Women's Band. Jessie joined the Children's Band and as she grew up she graduated to the Girls' and later to the Young Women's. She held many different offices in these organizations.

From the time Jessie was a very small girl she always wanted to be a missionary. When she heard stories of India, of Formosa, or China, she longed to go and help the people in those countries and tell them about Jesus. She didn't sit and just dream of going and wish she could go, she started when she was still young to prepare herself to go. She knew a missionary must be well educated, so she worked hard at school, she also knew an education was expensive, so she learnt to make her own clothes and do many other things that would help her save money.

As a child and young girl Jessie's dream was to do one special piece of God's work. Gradually the dream became more definite and she realized she wanted to be a doctor, and go and help the sick in some far off land and train the girls of that country to be doctors and nurses. She worked hard at school and when she entered the University she worked during the holidays to make enough money to put herself through, because she did not wish to be a burden to her family.

In 1905 she graduated and became a doctor, and so the first part of her dream was realized. Not long after this, word came from China that a doctor was urgently needed, and soon Dr. MacBean was on her way sailing across the Pacific Ocean to help the women and girls of China.

This young Canadian girl had many adventures. Her first work was in the country, travelling from village to village, helping the sick. Travelling was not easy in China. Sometimes she had to walk on little mud paths through the water-soaked rice fields, sometimes she travelled in sedan chairs, and at other times she was accompanied by a guard of soldiers to protect her in case of bandits. The young doctor was not always welcomed, for many of the Chinese had never seen a foreigner before and they were afraid of her. At first they would only let her help the very old or the very sick whom they thought were going to die anyway, but gradually, as so many of her patients recovered from their illnesses, she was allowed to treat the young people and the little children. Always, as she healed their bodies, she told them the gospel story.

Dr. MacBean worked in the villages for four years and then, in 1909, the ''Marian Barclay'' hospital was built and she was made the superintendent. At last her dream had come true, for in this hospital, as well as helping the sick, she could train the Chinese girls to become doctors and nurses.

Dr. MacBean is still in China. She has been for the last ten years at the Hackett Medical College, in Canton, which is one of the most modern hospitals in the country. Here she is still healing the sick and training Chinese girls to become doctors and nurses. When the girls who are trained in this College graduate as doctors and nurses they go to all parts of China to help the sick. Hackett is not only a hospital, it is a mission too. All the patients are told the gospel story and many of them become Christians. When Christmas comes each year there is a lovely Christmas party and celebration. Many little Chinese boys and girls have heard the Christmas story for the first time when they have been sick in bed in the hospital. When the doctors and nurses graduate and start their work of helping and healing the sick, they too, can tell their patients the story of Jesus the Great Physician.

And so the dream of the little fair-haired Mission Bander of long ago has come true for in many parts of China there are people who have been healed, and doctors and nurses who have been trained, by Dr. MacBean. She is greatly loved by the people of that far off land and the name they have given her is ''Bean Yi Shang'' which means ''Healer of Life''.

—*B. K. Riddell.*

Material for this story was taken from the book, "Dr. Jessie MacBean and the Work at Hackett Medical College", by Lereine Ballantyne.

Leaders' Corner

RALLY DAY PROGRAMME

Motto—''Suffer the little children to come unto Me.''

Quiet Music.—If possible have a lantern slide or picture of Jesus blessing the little children or Jesus with the children of the world.

Recitation—By one child or by a Band, the verses recited by individual members.

Does He Love Them Too?

''Little child with the wooden shoe,
Can it be that the Saviour cares for you?

Brown boys and girls with straight black hair,
For you and yours does the Master care?

Dwellers amid the ice and snow,
Can it be that you His love may know?

You children with the smooth black skin,
At heaven's door will God let you in?

Boys and girls of sunny clime,
Will Jesus' smile upon you shine?

To the yellow children of far away,
Will the Saviour teach the shining way?

Child of our own dear favored race,
In His love doth He have for you a place?

O Christ our Saviour loves them all
Every child in the world His heart doth call.''
(From *Bible Lesson Stories*)

Leader—''Suffer the little children to come unto me'' is our motto for today. When Jesus said these words He meant that He wanted all the little children of the world to be brought to Him.

In Unison—''Suffer the little children to come unto Me.''

Hymn 758—''Come to the Saviour.''

Leader—Our first story is about some mothers who brought their children to Jesus.

Scripture—Mark 10: 13-16.

Leader—Our next story is about a nobleman whose son was so ill that he could not take him to Jesus so he asked Jesus to come to him.

Scripture—John 4: 46-51.

Leader—Our last story is about a man called Jairus who asked Jesus to come to his little daughter who was dying.

Scripture—Luke 8: 41, 42, 49-56.

Leader—All these children who were brought to Jesus were blessed and made well by Him. There are still many thousands of children in different parts of the world who have never been brought to Jesus. Let us bow our heads and ask our loving Heavenly Father to bless these little ones.

Prayer (in unison)—

''Loving Father, hear my prayer;
Bless the children everywhere,
Little ones whose skins are brown
Where the Eastern sun looks down;
Chinese, Indian, Hindu too,
Make them loving, kind and true.
Help me show them how to live,
Help me pray and work and give.''

Prayer—By the Leader for the children of the world, followed by The Lord's Prayer in unison.

Hymn 796—''When Mothers of Salem.''

Leader—God can use our gifts of money to send the gospel story to the children of the world.

Offering.

Leader—''We thank Thee, our Father, that our gifts may help children to know Jesus and to love one another.''

In Unison—

''Father bless the gifts we bring Thee;
Give them something sweet to do;
May they help some one to love Thee;
Father may we love Thee, too. Amen.''

Roll Call.

Business.

Address.

Hymn 759—''If I Come to Jesus.''

Benediction.

—*B. K. Riddell.*

Study Scrap Book Competition

The Study Scrap Book Competition closes promptly on May 1st, 1935. The books should be sent to Mrs. A. R. Riddell at Room 700, 372 Bay Street, Toronto, Ontario. Each book must be clearly marked on the back page with the name of the Band and an address to which to return the book. The prize will be presented at the Enlarged Council Executive meeting in May.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. J. M. MOODIE, 2719, 14TH ST. W., CALGARY, PRESS SECRETARY

CALGARY P.S.—The annual meeting of Grace Church Auxiliary, Calgary, in December, was exceptionally well attended. The programme was interesting, the hymns and musical selections rendered, and the Scripture lesson, given by Mrs. Barroll, being in keeping with the Christmas spirit. An optimistic spirit prevailed in the reports from the Secretaries. The Treasurer's report showed the objective of $950 considerably exceeded, and a prayer of thanksgiving was offered by Mrs. T. M. Allen. A hearty vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. George Rae, retiring President, after four years of faithful and untiring service. Seven Life Membership certificates and two pins were presented to faithful members. Junior Membership certificates were presented to

Lucy Horn and Harry Glover from the ''Helen Miller'' Mission Band. The Mission Band, under the guidance of Mrs. J. A. Caldwell and Mrs. C. Isaac, contributed to the programme in the form of a pretty tableau by eight little girls. Little Mamie Yearwood, a tot of three years, sang a solo in a pleasing manner.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. W. J. SMITH, BOX 138, ARMSTRONG, PRESS SECRETARY

WESTMINSTER P.S.—At a recent meeting of the W.M.S. Auxiliary of Robertson Church, Vancouver, annual departmental reports were received showing satisfactory progress. The President, Mrs. H. Fraser, presided. A pleasing feature of the meeting was the presentation of a Life Membership certificate to Mrs. Isobel Newman. The officers for 1935 were installed by Mrs. Newman.

A meeting of the Robertson Church Y.W. Auxiliary, Vancouver, was held at the home of Miss Muriel Pacey. A Life Membership certificate and pin were presented to Mrs. Mary Murdoch by Margaret Fraser, President of the Auxiliary. Mrs. H. M. Fraser and Mrs. J. D. White spoke very highly of the work done by Mrs. Murdoch in the interests of the Auxiliary. An enjoyable social evening followed when a fine musical programme was enjoyed.

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BRANDON P.S.—First Church Mission Band, Brandon, held their first meeting of the year on January 7th. Officers for 1935 were elected. Prizes were presented by Mrs. Edworthy to Peggy Munro and Betty Wedderburn, whose scrap books gained highest points in the different classes of the scrap book competition. At the autumn Thank-offering meeting of the Mission Band, an impressive flag ceremony prefaced the meeting when the members of the Band pledged allegiance to the Union Jack, the flag of St. Andrew's and the W.M.S. flag. The lantern slides, ''Cherry Blossom Land'' were shown. The presentation of diplomas, seals and Life Memberships was an interesting feature. Fifth year seals and Life Memberships in the W.M.S. were given to Kate and Jean Duncan. Betty Wedderburn and Anna McLeod received first year diplomas; Josephine Bedford, second year seal; Mary Scott and Margaret Taylor, third year seals; Barbara Edworthy and Margaret Oliver, fourth year seals. Rev. J. Forbes Wedderburn spoke briefly and took the closing exercises.

Superior P.S.—Officers for 1935 were elected by the Y.W.A. of First Church, Port Arthur, at the December meeting. Mrs. W. J. Stirrett, First Vice-President, presided. Reports were received from the Treasurer and the Corresponding Secretary. The mite-box Secretary reported collections amounting to $31.86.

Mrs. R. Corbett, Vice-President, presided at the December meeting of St. Andrew's Church W.M.S. Auxiliary, Fort William. The annual reports were received and proved gratifying. A paper on mission work in Japan, prepared by Mrs. H. R. Grant, was read by Mrs. J. A. McLeod.

The members of the ''Martha Hogarth'' and the ''Burning Bush'' Boys' Mission Bands of First Church, West Fort William, held a Christmas party when an impromptu concert was staged by the young folk. A Junior Membership and pin were presented by the Mission Band to their Secretary, Lily Wright.

A Christmas programme of hymns and stories marked the December meeting of the ''Janet E. Smellie'' Boys' Mission Band, First Church, Port Arthur. Officers for the new term were elected.

Winnipeg P.S.—The annual Thank-offering meeting of the Mission Band, Knox Church, Selkirk, was held November 30th. There was a splendid attendance of members with their friends and mothers. The entire programme was taken by the members. In the devotional period three Scriptural portions were read. These were interspersed by a musical response by the members. Sixteen children gave reasons for Thanksgiving.

The ''Goodwill'' Auxiliary, Gonor, were privileged to have at their December meeting, the Provincial President, Mrs. J. Stanley Flook; Miss Hazel MacDonald, the new Deaconess for Winnipeg; and Rev. C. P. and Mrs. Young, of the Bhil Field, Central India. There was a record attendance. It was the first time in the twelve years of its existence that the Auxiliary had been so favored and in consequence the work overseas will now mean more to the members. A watch night service, under the auspices of the W.M.S. Auxiliary, was held on New Year's eve. There was an attendance of forty, some travelled two miles to attend. Mrs. Mackenzie presided, assisted by Mrs. J. Chapman, who offered the consecration prayer.

ONTARIO

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THE annual meeting of Ontario Provincial Society will be held in Knox Church, Toronto, April 9th, 10th, 11th. Miss Mary G. Oster, 14 Graham Gardens, Toronto, is convener of the billeting committee.

The Executive expects all organizations to observe the Easter Thank-offering season.

There is a new Easter paper in the Exchange Department, entitled, ''The Secret Message of the Risen Lord.''

The annual meeting of London P.S. was held in Elmwood Church, London. Mrs. J. A. Hilts, Toronto, addressed the afternoon session, saying, ''Our challenge comes from our missionaries on the field who have measured up so fully to their responsibility.'' ''There is abundance of power in the Church,'' she said, ''what it needs is effective appreciation. Increased membership is our solution.'' Rev. F. Goforth, Wallaceburg, addressed the evening session, making a plea for greater missionary effort by the Church. One Mission Band reporting, had raised money for their Junior Memberships by getting subscriptions for a magazine. The ''Aid'' of their Church was short of dishes, so the girls each supplied settings for six, earning the rental, each being responsible for the safe return of the articles. When a friend gave the Leader an auto ride she put the saved car fare, or taxi fare, into the Mission Band mite box. These are bright ideas more than Mission Bands might profit by.

At Sarnia January executive meeting, good reports of the year's work were received.

Stratford P.S. annual meeting was held in St. Andrew's Church, Stratford. Reports showed earnest efforts, especially were those of the Y.W.A. and junior organizations very encouraging, there being an increase in givings and membership. Spirited activity among the C.G.I.T. Groups was recounted. Mission Bands are doing their share to maintain the work of the Society the first day of each month. The Treasurer's report showed increased givings of $421.95 for 1934. A chronological historical Auxiliary sketch was presented by Mrs. G. D. Wood, St. Mary's. This will be placed with Church records. Mrs. W. J. McCullough, Toronto, spoke of missionary problems. She also installed the officers for 1935. Mrs. Thomas Hamilton, Atwood, was the recipient of an Honorary Life Membership.

St. Andrew's Girls' Guild, Barrie, have had a full three months of activities—a mother and daughter banquet, Glenmohr camp night, Japanese tea, Christmas vesper and white gift service. They anticipate a full and enjoyable year in 1935.

The ''Willing Workers'' Mission Band, Seymour, at a joint meeting with the Senior Auxiliary, presented a pageant ''Church Builders.'' The offering enabled both Societies to meet their allocation. Margaret Taylor, Leafa Linn, Frances Third and Robert Mathews received Junior certificates and pins. Rev. J. A. McMillan addressed the meeting.

Various activities in the different organizations in Chatham P.S. were successfully carried out. The Senior Auxiliary, Windsor, put on an Olde Tyme concert, the programme being original and quaint.

The annual meeting of Huron P.S. was held in Clinton. Many new workers were present. Miss Jeckell, in her address, left much of value and inspiration to those who will carry on in 1935. Reports were very good. While there were decreases in membership in some Auxiliaries, the givings were not down. Y.W.A. department reports an increase in membership and givings. Mrs. D. J. Lane, Goderich, is the new President.

Hamilton P.S. annual meeting was held in McNab St. Church, Hamilton. A Y.W.A. rally was held the previous evening in Central Church. At the supper hour toasts were proposed to the W.M.S. and our missionaries. These were responded to by Miss Nellie Smith, Toronto, and Miss Bertha Robson, Glenmorris, respectively. Miss S. V. Scott conducted a helpful hour on Y.W.A. problems. Miss Dorothy Douglas gave an illustrated talk on Formosa. Senior departments showed an active and successful year; some Auxiliaries have established missionary lending libraries; one Auxiliary had an attendance contest, losers entertaining all to supper; Nelson Auxiliary has 90 per cent of the women of the Church as members; classes in English for adults have been conducted in the Hungarian Church by members of Central Church Auxiliaries. The President's address likened the W.M.S. to a garden: God the Gardener; tools, the Bible and missionary study; seed, missionary knowledge; fruit, patience and service. There was a memorial service for Mrs. M. B. McQuesten, Mrs. D. G. McGregor, and others who have passed to Heaven's garden. Three missionaries addressed the sessions, Miss Bertha Robson, Miss Dorothy Douglas and Miss M. H. Williamson, bringing the work vividly before their audience. Mrs. H. M. Coulter, Brampton, led the discussion hour.

Optimism prevailed at the annual meeting of Lanark and Renfrew P.S.; good attendance, good reports, good financial statement. Speakers were Miss Jean C. McLean and Miss Margaret Ramsay. Dr. Margaret O'Hara spoke on India. Mrs. H. C. McKellar, Hamilton, spoke to the young people and again in the afternoon, giving helpful suggestions and advice.

Lindsay P.S. held their annual meeting in St. Andrew's Church, Lindsay, Miss Gould presiding. Reports of the year's work were received, these showing activity and earnest prayerful work. Mrs. J. A. Hilts, Toronto, gave an inspirational address. She also conducted the election and installation of officers. A message from Presbytery was brought by Rev. J. C. Greer, B.A., Lindsay.

Kingston P.S. annual meeting was held in St. Andrew's Church, Belleville. Reports were satisfactory. Mrs. H. C. McKellar, Hamilton, was guest speaker, giving two inspirational addresses. Mrs. Hunter, Madoc, is the new President.

The Auxiliary of Knox Church, Acton, in Guelph P.S., reports a splendid year's work. There were excellent programmes and a good attendance. At their autumn meeting the seven candles on a large birthday cake were lighted by members who gave sketches on the Society's work, Mrs. H. L. Bennie, presiding over the ceremony. Mrs. A. C. Stewart, Toronto, brought greetings from Chalmers Church. A Life Membership was presented at this meeting.

With delegates from all Auxiliaries present, the 21st annual meeting of Toronto P.S. was held in St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, Mrs. A. C. Stewart presiding in the absence, through illness, of Mrs. Victor A. Smith.

Young Women's night was one of inspiration when Miss Dorothy Douglas told of life and conditions in Formosa; Miss S. V. Scott introduced the planned study course; Mrs. D. Strachan presented the financial picture of the W.M.S. to the young women and solicited their cooperation. Mission Band hour was one of interest; a number of prizes were awarded, Dovercourt Band again winning first prize; two Ukrainian boys received applause as they received their awards for essays. Girls' Organizations night Mrs. John Kelman gave a good report of the work and Miss Betty Gray spoke on Leadership; Mrs. Warren Hildred (Dorothy Jenkinson) gave an address on ''Pioneer Work in East Selkirk.'' Miss MacMurchy brought greetings from the Provincial Board and conducted the election of officers. At the supper meeting on the first day a birthday cake, donated by St. Andrew's W.A., topped with 21 candles marking the coming of age of Toronto Presbyterial, was cut and served.

QUEBEC

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A Chinese Santa Visits Montreal Kindergarten

A SANTA who could speak their own language, in the person of Mr. Maleung, a Chinese student attending McGill University, came to nearly fifty boys and girls at the Montreal Chinese Kindergarten, on December 21st. He came with gifts for the children and gifts for the mothers. He came to a tree glittering with green, red and silver, which stood waiting for him on the platform of the hall. Members of the Montreal Presbyterial had trimmed the tree because, as one little Chinese girl put it, ''Santa's too busy just now to trim trees''.

The children conducted the devotional exercises very sweetly and reverently with Scripture recitations and prayer. Six boys extended a welcome in unison to the audience, which was responded to by Dr. Frank D. Adams on behalf of those present.

Some said that the Montreal Presbyterial also helped Santa with gifts because his pack was so very, very heavy just before Christmas that he would not have been able to carry so many presents all at once. But Santa's coming was only a part of the Christmas festival which yearly brings scores of men and women to the Montreal Chinese Kindergarten. Christmas bells danced and jingled—Christmas bells that had little round Chinese faces. They talked, too, wishing everyone the merriest kind of a Christmas. And Christmas horns and balloons blew.

There were many other guests as well as Santa Claus—guests whom the children knew quite as well. There was Rev. J. G. Potter, D.D., who presided, and Mrs. Pae, who brought the greetings of the Presbyterial. There was Rev. W. D. Reid, D.D., and Rev. Allan Reid, D.D. There was Rev. Mr. Wong, too, who, in their native Chinese, told the mothers, who could speak no English, the meaning of Christmas. And, of course, Miss

Agnes I. Dickson, head of the Kindergarten was there, and Mrs. Herman and Miss Hattie Jue, her assistants.

The little Chinese children sang and two of the bigger girls played a duet. A little boy gave a recitation. The twenty-five small boys and girls who belong to the new Mission Band in charge of Miss Aiken, sang a Christmas chorus.

Even after most of the grown-ups had gone, Santa was still handing out gaily wrapped packages from the tree—nice warm sweaters for the children and soft comforters for the mothers; and there was a big stocking of candy for every little Chinese boy and girl who came to the Christmas tree.

SASKATCHEWAN

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PRINCE ALBERT P.S.—On November 5th, 1934, the "Lucy Baker" Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church, Prince Albert, celebrated its 21st anniversary at the "Lucy Baker" Home. Invitations were sent to charter members and members of past executives. There was an attendance of twenty-five. Letters were read from charter members who were unable to be present. Mrs. Beveridge, President, gave an address of welcome. The meeting took the form of the inauguration meeting of 1913. A message was read by Mrs. A. Mitchell, of Vancouver, who organized the Auxiliary, her husband then being pastor of the Church. Mrs. Paul MacDowall, the first Secretary of the Auxiliary, was guest speaker and gave an interesting outline of the organization of the Auxiliary and the work undertaken. Miss Hazel MacDonald, deaconess, gave a short address. Miss MacDonald, who was being transferred to work in Winnipeg, was presented with a small token of esteem. A social hour was enjoyed. The birthday cake, bearing 21 candles, was cut by Mrs. Paul.

At the January meeting of the sub-executive of the Presbyterial, reports of the various departments of the Society were received. These had many encouraging features, one being that the total contributions from organizations had increased over the previous year, and another, that there were two Associate Societies and one Auxiliary reported as new organizations.

Saskatoon P.S. sub-executive and executive members, resident in the city, met in St. Andrew's Church, Saskatoon, December 29th. The key woman reported that the amount collected for two years, ending December 31st, 1934, was $137.06. The Presbyterial will meet April 3rd and 4th, during the week of the winter fair.

At the January meeting of the Parkview W.M.S. Auxiliary, the form of service, "A New Venture for 1935," by Miss Lamont, published in *Glad Tidings*, was followed throughout. Two excellent papers were given, "Larger membership for 1935" and "Greater service and closer fellowship." These gave the members a feeling of God's power, and inspiration to carry on His work in this corner of His vineyard.

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December, 1934

RECEIPTS

A Friend	$ 25.00
A Friend, "Scholarship for Nelson-ji"	10.00
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Glenview Girls' Auxiliary, "Library Department"	1.00
Birtle Indian School	100.00
Gibson, Mrs. R. G., Crossfield, Alta.	1.50
Bell, Mrs. Thos., Toronto	10.00
McDonald, Miss I., Ottawa, "Work in Northern Ontario"	10.00
Rent from Eastern Division for Bungalow in Japan	30.00
Pensions received from workers	108.19
Refund from Vegreville School	710.68
St. Andrew's Sunday School, Huntingdon, Que. "South Porcupine Hospital"	2.50
Refund from Sunday School and Board of Missions for Lantern Slides	177.38
Transfer from Pension Fund for Special Pensions	952.63
Transfer from Sustaining Fund for Education of Chinese Candidate	140.70
Interest	49.39
PROVINCIAL GIVINGS:	
Alberta	1,781.88
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Ontario	42,650.00
Quebec	6,095.00
Saskatchewan	1,223.76
	$58,059.02

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South Porcupine	$ 253.48
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Chinese in Canada	874.75
Cecilia Jeffrey Indian School	1,068.74
Birtle	597.05
Mistawasis	120.00
Presbyterian Residences:	
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Saskatoon	68.37
Vegreville	408.37
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Deputation	20.80
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Western Relief	10.00
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South China	287.50
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Bhil Field	4,010.70
Jhansi Field	3,061.60
Formosa	650.22
Japan	87.50
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DATES TO REMEMBER

Provincial Annual Meetings

British Columbia—Central Church, Vancouver, March 12 and 13th.

Manitoba—St. James Church, Winnipeg, March 27th and 28th.

Ontario—Knox Church, Toronto, April 9th, 10th, 11th.

Quebec—Instead of the regular Provincial Annual Meeting, it has been decided to have an Enlarged Board Meeting in Knox Crescent Church, Montreal, March 19th.

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Toronto, May 28th.

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First Church, Montreal, June 5th.

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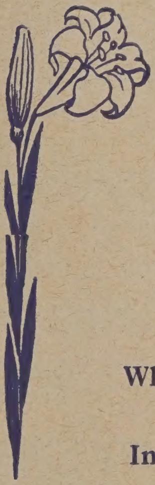

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The Glad Tidings

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An Easter Canticle

By Charles Hanson Towne

In every trembling bud and bloom
That cleaves the earth, a flowery sword,
I see Thee come from out the tomb,
Thou risen Lord.

In every April wind that sings
Down lanes that make the heart rejoice—
Yea, in the word the wood-thrush brings,
I hear Thy voice.

Lo! every tulip is a cup
To hold Thy morning's brimming wine;
Drink, O my soul, the wonder up—
Is it not Thine?

The great Lord God, invisible,
Hath roused to rapture the green grass;
Through sunlit mead and dew-drenched dell
I see Him pass.

His old immortal glory wakes
The rushing streams and emerald hills;
His ancient trumpet softly shakes
The daffodils.

Thou art not dead! Thou art the whole
Of life that quickens in the sod;
Green April is Thy very soul,
Thou great Lord God.

during the coming year means that the magazine will be carried on under her guiding spirit.

Death of Mrs. MacLeod

THE passing of Mrs. W. McK. MacLeod, Honorary President of the Women's Missionary Society (Eastern Division) sees the close of a life of devotion to public service. Mrs. MacLeod was well and widely known as a stalwart Presbyterian. During her four years as President, she endeared herself to the membership of the Society.

The final tribute was paid to her in Sydney, when hundreds of citizens from all sections of Cape Breton assembled to attend her funeral, all feeling that Sydney had lost a most valuable leader.

As fellow members of the Board of Missions several of the members of our Council Executive had the privilege of knowing Mrs. MacLeod. To our sister Society, which mourns the loss of so valued an officer, we would extend our deep and sincere sympathy.

The Late Mrs. Peter Hing

WORD has been received of the death, on January 9th, of Mrs. Peter Hing, Canton, China. Mrs. Hing was the wife of Judge Peter Hing, the representative of our Women's Missionary Society, on the Board of Directors of the Hackett Medical College. She was a member of the Euro-American Returned Students Club, and many other organizations. Mrs. Hing was a devout Christian, a tireless social worker, and was much respected and loved by everyone with whom she came in contact. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Judge Hing and his family in their great loss.

The Challenge of the Jew

"WHAT we need to get is a realization that in our Christian attitude to the Jews there is a real challenge to all Christendom," formed the basis of an address given recently by Dr. Conrad Hoffman, Secretary of the International Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews, in the Canadian School of Missions, Toronto.

Dr. Hoffman expressed appreciation for the interest of those present, in the work of his Committee. He also expressed extreme gratitude to the Anglican Church, and the Presbyterian Church in Canada, for the work they are carrying on among the Jews.

In closing, Dr. Hoffman, who has just returned from an extended tour of the Jewish world, recommended for study, Basil Mathew's recent book, "The Jew in the World Ferment", and appealed to his listeners to remember this work in prayer, that the Committee may be enabled to carry on their work and expand.

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ALLELUIA, CHRIST IS RISEN

Editorial

As it began to dawn came Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary . . . . and the angel said unto the women, I know that ye seek Jesus who hath been crucified. He is not here, He is risen! Go quickly, and tell.

IN the golden, lifting morning of the first Easter, Mary Magdalene stood tear-blinded beside an empty tomb. But as she wept, she heard the most wonderful message ever uttered, ''He is risen.'' Again, this Eastertide, the same message of hope and joy will be circling the world, ''Christ the Lord is risen today!'' Risen in the hearts of the members of our Society, as they bring their Thank-offerings and lay them at the feet of the risen Christ. Through the miracle of these gifts, we see hundreds of women the world over, celebrating Easter for the first time, the light of the risen Saviour in their faces.

We, the women of today, look back at that other woman in an Eastern garden; that woman, who, in a whitening dawn, heard a risen Christ call to her, ''Mary'', and hearing, answered, ''Master''. She carried from that garden Easter tidings that remade the world. We too, will carry the glad tidings to those other women, if we obey the commission of the risen Christ—

''Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.''

In Acknowledgment

WE wish officially to acknowledge the many expressions of sympathy which have been received on the death of our late beloved Editor, Miss Mamie C. G. Fraser. To one and all who shared with us the loss of a dear friend, we express our deep gratitude for their kind letters of sympathy and appreciation.

''Glad Tidings'' Features

UNDER the above title, in the January issue, there appeared a list of the work it was hoped to feature in the magazine during 1935. It is very touching to think, that although Miss Fraser is no longer with us, her foresightedness in planning what parts of the work would be featured

The large gathering was held under the auspices of the Inter-Board Committee of the Women's Missionary Societies of Canada, with Mrs. A. R. McMurrich presiding.

Service for Prayer and Renewal of Faith

THE credit of starting this movement lies with the Rt. Rev. J. C. Farthing, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of Montreal, who, last October, invited a few representative ministers of the leading Protestant denominations to meet informally at his home to discuss the propriety of joint action by the Churches in an effort to spiritualize the life of the city. Impetus was given the programme, by the gathering of twenty thousand people in the great Forum, Montreal, on January 14th.

The ''Service of Witness'' held in the Maple Leaf Gardens, March 5th, was the largest and most inspiring service of devotion and renewal of faith ever witnessed in Toronto. ''Where there is no faith, there is no freedom: there is no confidence of power: there is no initiative,'' declared the Right Rev. Richard Roberts, D.D., Moderator of the United Church of Canada, preaching the sermon and challenging the Churches to a more intensive faith. Dr. Roberts stressed the importance of a revival in the individual Christian, in preparation for a widespread revival.

An especially solemn moment of the Service of Witness was experienced when, led by Rev. W. A. Cameron, minister of Yorkminster Baptist Church, the great congregation repeated the Covenant of Renewal.

''To the rededication of our lives and the complete dominion of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ,'' read the minister, and the people in a mighty voice responded:

''We covenant with Thee, O Lord.''

The service came to a triumphal climax with the singing of the Hallelujah Chorus.

THE beautiful cut, appearing on the first page of this issue, is copied from the March *Daybreak*, the official organ of the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, Ireland. We are indebted to this magazine, which is edited by Mrs. Paul, Belfast, for this reproduction.

25,000 ''GLAD TIDINGS'' SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 1935–1936 IN MEMORY OF MISS FRASER

''JESUS said, 'Go ye into all the world,' But, how can we go, even in thought, if we do not know something about the people and their condition, and how can we know unless we read, and where can we get authentic information at such small cost?''

One of the last messages from the pen of our late Editor, Miss

Mamie C. G. Fraser, was the above editorial, written as an appeal to the members of the Society for new *Glad Tidings* subscribers. Miss Fraser's objective for 1935 was 25,000 subscriptions.

Since 1925, the *Glad Tidings* has faithfully given you the story of the work which you support. It has provided the means of obtaining a world-wide view of events which affect your missionary task. During these years Miss Fraser served as Editor with loyalty and devotion, and the *Glad Tidings* has made a place for itself in the hearts of the women of our Society.

As a fitting memorial to the memory of her, whose guiding hand is so sadly missed, we bespeak the support of each one of you, that this year may see the realization of this dream of our beloved Editor.

"Let me die working!
Still tackling plans unfinished, tasks undone,
Still to its end, swift may my race be run,
No lagging steps, no faltering, no shirking,
Let me die working!"

(Found on the desk of Miss Fraser).

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Knox College

The material for this article on the origin and history of the third Church institution to which we as a Women's Missionary Society give a yearly grant of $100 has been drawn largely from the official reports of this splendid College of our Church. The Council Executive of our Society holds its meetings each Tuesday morning at ten o'clock, in the Board Room of the College.

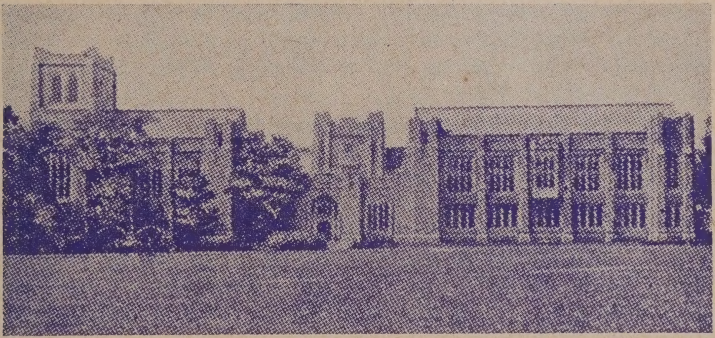
THE origin of Knox College is to be traced to the disruption in the Church of Scotland in 1843, and to the corresponding events of the following year in the Presbyterian Church in Canada. In July, 1844, the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, usually called the Free Church, was formed, in sympathy but not in connection with the Free Church of Scotland.

One of the first things to engage the attention of the new Synod was the education and training of young men for the ministry. So great was their zeal that on the fifth of November, 1844, a college established for this purpose began its work in Toronto with a staff of two teachers and seven students. The teachers were the Rev. Henry Esson, M.A., of Montreal, and the Rev. Andrew King, of Glasgow, a delegate from the Free Church of Scotland. The number of students increased during the session to fourteen and were enrolled, some in Arts, some in Theology, and some in both.

In 1846, the Synod gave to this institution the name of ''Knox's College.'' In 1858, it received a charter in which it was designated ''Knox College.'' The Act declared that the doctrines and principles to be taught in Knox College were such and such only as are consistent with the Westminster standards, with such further directions and rules touching church government, discipline or worship as the Synod may from time to time ordain.

When in 1861 the Canada Presbyterian Church was formed by the union of the (Free) Presbyterian Church of Canada and the United Presbyterian Church, the Divinity Hall of the latter was discontinued and Knox College became the theological institution of the united body.

When Knox College began its work, King's College, Toronto, the State University of Upper Canada, was under the control of the Church of England, and members of other communions were virtually excluded. It was necessary, therefore, to provide for the students of Knox College a literary as well as a theological education. In 1846, the Synod resolved to establish an Academy or High School, which should be a feeder to the College, but should be open to students of all classes. Many who were afterwards prominent in the life of Ontario received their secondary education in this Academy. The Rev. Alexander Gale, M. A., became its principal. In 1852, it was closed, the need for it no longer existing.



Knox College, Toronto

In 1849, King's College was ''secularized'' and became the University of Toronto. At this critical time in the history of the University, Knox College boldly met opposition to the new constitution by committing to the University an important part of the training of its students. Students were also encouraged to take a full Arts course before entering upon Theology. The Preparatory Department, however, was still maintained in Knox College, and instruction given in some of the subjects of an Arts course. Professor Esson had charge of this department until his death in 1853. He was succeeded by Professor George Paxton Young, M.A., who added to the duties of his chair, the teaching of the Evidences of Religion, and afterwards of Exegetics. Professor Young resigned in 1864, and after spending several years as inspector of Grammar Schools in Ontario, returned in 1868 to resume charge of the Preparatory Department, but with no share in the teaching of Theology. In 1871, he was appointed to the chair of Metaphysics and Ethics in the University of Toronto and severed his connections with Knox College. Tutors were then chosen for this department from year to year, but in 1898 it was abolished and there was substituted for it a special course of three years to be taken in the University of Toronto.

It was not until 1857 that the need of an executive head of the College was felt, Professor Willis becoming the first Principal. He was succeeded in this office from 1873 to 1904 by Professor Caven. His successors have been Professor MacLaren from 1905 to 1908, and the Rev. Alfred Gandier, D.D., LL.D., from 1908 until 1925.

For the next year the Principalship of the College was vested in the Moderator of the General Assembly, Dr. Ephriam Scott. In June, 1926, Rev. Thomas Eakin, Ph.D., was chosen to occupy the important position of Principal and under his capable leadership the College has made very marked progress.

An extract from the 90th annual report of Knox College (1933-34) shows 31 students attended the regular classes in Theology, 13 in the first year, 9 in the second year and 8 in the third year, with one student taking special work in the first year. In addition to the above, one student was prescribed work in the third year extra-murally. There were, in addition, 14 enrolled in studies for the degree of Bachelor of Divinity and registered in Arts preparing for Theology, 41 students, in all a total of 87 students. Lectures were given by the staff to seven students from the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home.

During 1933 and 1934 the teaching staff consisted of Prof. Thomas Eakin, Ph.D., Prof. J. D. Cunningham, D.D., Prof. W. W. Bryden, M.A., Rev. Stuart Parker, D.D., and Prof. E. Lloyd Morrow, Ph.D.

For many years the College occupied a commanding position on Spadina Crescent, but as the city grew and the street car system extended, this site became less and less suitable for academic purposes. About the year 1905 the Board of Management were faced with the alternative—the complete renovation and enlargement of the old College building, which had fallen into decay, or the erection of an entirely new group of buildings on the University Campus.

After much consideration the Board decided that improvements or additions to the old buildings would at best be a temporary solution of the problem. Moreover, the Board felt the desirability of securing a new site while there was property still available in the immediate vicinity of University College, with which Knox is federated and where her students receive their Arts training.

The Board was exceedingly fortunate in procuring four properties on St. George Street running through the front Campus of the University, and giving a double frontage.

The corner stone was laid in October, 1912, and almost three years later, September 29, 1915, the building, a gem of architecture, was completed and dedicated to the service of Christ and His Church.

This short historical sketch will give our readers some idea of this important seat of learning. Since its beginning in 1844 many generations of students have passed through its classes. These have gone forth to occupy positions of responsibility in all parts of the world. They have been honored instruments in the hands of God to proclaim His Evangel to a needy world. Countless multitudes have been blessed by their ministrations. Knox College, Toronto, awaits the coming of those students who have dedicated their lives to the work of the Christian ministry, and who wish to receive the very best training that their Church can provide, not alone for the work of the ministry but also for missionary service.

Knox College Students' Missionary Society

This Society was established in 1845 for the purpose of evangelizing French-Canadian Roman Catholics. It soon decided to devote itself to the two-fold object of sending the Gospel to places otherwise destitute of it, and of creating and fostering a missionary spirit among its members. All those who pursued their studies in Toronto with a view to entering the ministry of the Presbyterian Church were regarded as members. During the summer months student missionaries were sent to the different fields to preach the Gospel and establish stations in the most promising centres. When these stations became sufficiently strong they took their place among the regular mission stations of the Church.

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In 1887 the Students' Society and the Alumni Association of Knox College, offered to sustain by their contributions, a missionary in the Foreign Field. This offer was accepted by the General Assembly, and Jonathan Goforth, of Knox College, was appointed as missionary to Honan, China, the newly acquired field for our Church. Dr. Goforth was ordained by the Presbytery of Toronto on Thursday, October 20th, 1887. The Student and Alumni supported Dr. Goforth for some years, there being no charge on the Foreign Mission Board except for house rent.

This Society is still carrying on work. A missionary of our Church, Rev. H. A. MacMillan, Formosa, was supported by them before 1925. Since then a sum of money is contributed to Rev. Allan Reoch, for the support of native workers in Manchuria. They also supply in the Home Mission Field, near Toronto, taking week-end services.

The Late Chief Kesick

Chief of the Shoal Lake Ojibways

BY JANET A. CARRUTHERS

THE death of Chief Kesick took place on one of the Indian reserves on the Lake of the Woods, January 8th, 1935. He was in his 63rd year. He had been Chief of bands 39–40 of the Shoal Lake Ojibways for the past twenty-three years, which position he filled with honor and integrity, winning the deepest affection of his people and the respect of all with whom he came in contact.

Chief Kesick was an Indian, dark, resolute and strong, with a quiet dignity in his bearing that bespoke a heritage of aristocracy that comes from an ancestry of courage and of power. He stood at all times for what he believed to be the freedom and right of the red man; and was proud of his people fighting the fight of a race, fast vanishing before the onrush of civilization. Although a treaty Indian, he scorned to follow the paths where the white man led, clinging tenaciously to the practices, traditions and faith of his fathers.

A staunch friend of the Cecilia Jeffrey School and its staff from its earliest mission days on Shoal Lake, Chief Kesick was swift to concede to the advantages of education, and gave willingly his support and sympathy to every phase of the work, constantly counselling his bands to a deeper appreciation and an earnest application to the opportunities it brought to them. During his term of office, he rescued from the ravages of starvation a tiny Ojibway who had been bound and left on an isolated island on the Lake—an offering to the great spirit—and carried her to the School, where, as a joint protégé, she retained always his affection and his care. He deplored and opposed vigorously the circumstances that called for the removal of the Cecilia Jeffrey activities from his reserve to its later site at Kenora. With another Chief however, he gladly and proudly assumed its guardianship when its doors were no longer open for educational purposes.

Chief Kesick faced his last portage alone, scorning the help or the aid of the white man, to die as he had lived, amongst the Ojibways whose counsellor and stay he had been.

Easter Morning

''Christ, Christ is risen!'' the unseen singers sing;
''Christ, Christ is risen!'' the echoing hosts reply—
The whist wind feels a passing seraph's wing,
And holds its breath while shining ones go by;
''Christ, Christ is risen!''—loud let the anthem ring;
''He lives — He loves — He saves —
We need not die.''

—*Louise Chandler Moulton.*

Faithful Unto Death

"He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it."

IT has been a long time in missionary circles since any event has made so wide and profound an impression as the story of John and Elizabeth Stam, who witnessed to Christ by their death at the hands of Chinese communists in Anhwei Province, China. Mr. and Mrs. Stam were members of the China Inland Mission, and for academic training and Christlike spirit were among their most promising and attractive missionaries.

John Stam was the son of Rev. Peter Stam, of Paterson, New Jersey, and was a graduate of Moody Bible Institute, Chicago. "Betty" (Elizabeth Alden Scott) was born in China, and was a graduate of Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. Betty Scott went out to China, before her marriage, in 1931, and John Stam followed a year later. They were married in the home of the bride's parents in North China, and were appointed to the town of Tsingteh, a pioneer mountain station, where they planned to begin their work of love and mercy. She was the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Ernest Scott, well known missionaries laboring in China, under the American Presbyterian Mission, for nearly thirty years.

The young couple had an infant daughter, Helen Priscilla, born only three months before. Early news dispatches failed to mention her, but later it was reported how she was found, hungry and crying, in a deserted house. A Christian Chinese pastor discovered the child, and she was carried in a rice basket all the way to Wuhu, where she came into the hands of fellow C. I. M. missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Birch. Along the road the baby was tenderly nursed by Chinese women. On receipt of the tragic news the grandparents at once made arrangements to take the little orphaned grand-daughter to their station at Tsinan, Shantung.

A number of touching offers to adopt and care for little Helen Priscilla and many gifts have been received from Christian friends. Not a few have been moved to send donations for the work for which Mr. and Mrs. Stam laid down their lives. And far from the tragedy having had a deterring influence upon missionary recruiting, it has had the opposite effect of quickening the zeal of those who are already candidates of the Mission and stimulating other young Christians to offer for service in China.

Beatrice Scott Stevenson, a sister of Mrs. Stam, is a missionary in the Hackett Medical College, Canton, China, serving under Dr. Jessie MacBean. After her graduation from the Bible Seminary, New York, Mrs. Stevenson returned to China, in November, to lead educated Chinese girls to Christ, although she had many alluring offers to work in America. She was married last year to Dr. Theodore Dwight Stevenson, a physician, the son of Dr. J. Ross Stevenson, of Princeton Seminary. Mrs. Stevenson had a visit with her parents and sister on her way south to Canton, where Dr. Stevenson has recently been appointed on the staff of the hospital.

The roll of martyred missionaries in the China Inland Mission now numbers seventy-four, besides thirty missionary children. To this list must be added the names of hundreds of native Christians, who have sealed their testimony with their life's blood. Word has come within the last few days of the death at the hands of bandits, of two recently captured missionaries, and grave anxiety is entertained for the safety of two other missing Inland Mission workers, Rev. S. C. Frencham, of Melbourne, and his young bride of less than a year. The young Australian missionary was captured by bandits from his station at Ningkiang, near the western border of Shensi Province, and his wife, Ruth Wheatley Frencham, disappeared.

To the families of these beloved martyrs for Christ, and our sister Society, the China Inland Mission, we extend our great sympathy. We pray with them for the safety of all their missionaries, in this time of stress and danger.

John Stam, in writing to his father some time before his death and mentioning the prevailing danger, enclosed a poem, which he said expressed his own feelings. The poem was written by E. H. Hamilton, a missionary and friend of the Scotts.

Afraid

Afraid? Of what?
To feel the spirit's glad release?
To pass from pain to perfect peace,
The strife and strain of life to cease?
Afraid?—of that?

Afraid? Of what?
Afraid to see the Saviour's face,
To hear His welcome, and to trace
The glory gleam from wounds of grace?
Afraid?—of that?

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A Life of Power

IN this day of unrest and uncertainty, it might be well to give some thought to the following statement from the late Calvin Coolidge:

"We do not need more material development,
We need more spiritual development.
We do not need more intellectual power, we need more character.
We do not need more government, we need more culture.
We do not need more law, we need more religion.
We do not need more of the things that are seen, *we need more of the things that are unseen.*"

The power of the Holy Spirit is that unseen, mystical reality, which only the redeemed of the Lord experience.

Our Saviour was ever in the ''power of the Spirit''. His life begins, continues and ends ''being in the Spirit'', filled with the power of God.

He said of himself, ''The Spirit of the Lord is upon me''. ''And all bare him witness and wondered at the words of grace and truth which proceeded out of his mouth.''

''They were astonished at his teaching, for his word was with *power*.''

''The *power* of the Lord was with Him to heal.''

''With *power* he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out.''

''He giveth *power* to the faint; and to him that hath no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall; but they that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.''

''Thy right hand, O Jehovah, is glorious in *power*.''

Are you amazed and do you wonder as did Paul the apostle, when he exclaims, ''And what the exceeding greatness of his *power* to us-ward who believe?''

Our God is on the Throne, and He has all *power* and all reserve necessary for dealing with world situations.

He has so provided that the fullness of His power and might and glory, shall be manifested through those who have empirical knowledge of Him and His fullness.

After the cross, all the fullness of the divine power was released upon the world through those who had been brought into absolute oneness with the Lord by that Cross.

Is there a power going out of your life which cannot be accounted for on any human basis whatever? Is this thing alive? ''And they were all amazed, and were perplexed, saying one to another, ''What meaneth this?'' Are we able to say ''This is That!'' This is that which was spoken by the prophet.'' There was a transition from the known truth to living truth; from doctrine to present experience; and the ringing declaration went forth—''This is That!''

That is the kind of knowledge that means power. *That* is the kind of experience which overcomes the world. *That* is the sort of thing that makes all other systems go down, and you rise triumphantly above them. *That* is what we want. First hand knowledge, not second hand truth. May God work this into our very beings until it becomes us.

If we want to know the fullness of an ever growing power, it will be only as we respond to every dear command of His, ''Tarry until ye be clothed with power''; respond to every bit of revelation and make it live in our lives. This will give us a glorious spiritual and moral ascendency.

Are you longing for a greater power of the Holy Spirit in your own life and work, and are you convinced that you cannot go on without this power? ''He is abundantly able to do more than all we ask or think according to the *power* that worketh in us.''

''Give us O God, the *power* to go on,
To carry our share of the burden to the end,
To live all the years of our life
Faithful to the highest that we have seen,
With no panderings to the second best,
No leniency to our lower selves,
No looking backward,
No Cowardice. .
Give us the *power* to give ourselves
To break the bread of our lives unto starving humanity;
In humble self-subjection to serve others
As Thou, O God, dost serve the world.''

—*Mrs. J. F. LeClere, in The Women's Missionary Magazine.*

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Why Not Feminize Mission Study?

''WHY Feminize Mission Study?'' was a challenging article by Katharine V. Silverthorn appearing in *Women and Missions* a year ago—a reminder to pastors and the men of our Church that they, too, have their obligations in the field of missionary education. Our boys, young men, older men, and most of all our pastors, must not be content for the women's groups to be the sole promoters of mission study. Now, after these many months, my suggestion is, Why NOT Feminize Mission Study, and solve the problem?

Every one will agree that the pastor is a busy man, and there is certain work in the church he confidently depends upon the Women's Missionary Societies to do. Pastors would have molded to a race of hunchbacks long ago had their shoulders been bent by each bit of duty heaped upon them. Before we burden him with the organization of study groups, let's hurriedly run over his usual week:

Two sermons for Sunday, which will doubtless be picked to shreds by many of the congregation. A prayer meeting each Wednesday evening that will have too much singing, or too much praying, or not enough young people in attendance—that is, according to the ''constructive'' criticism of some well-meaning elder. There is no end to his committee meetings. Even his ex-officio attachment to the Committee on the Sunday School Room New Carpet will require his presence, lest he fail to hear the prices on the best, near best, and too cheap carpeting. Oh yes, the sick must not be neglected, or a tender feeling might be bruised. Session meetings, Presbytery, and Synod pile up added duties. Community interests and civic affairs make demands on our pastor. Death hovers over the members of the congregation, and with each bereaved family our pastor must give a part of his heart and mingle his tears. ''But he did not organize mission study classes!'' you say. Surely the weary man thought he could count on the women to shoulder that particular wheel!

Don't confront your pastor and complacently ask him what he knows or doesn't know about mission study—as if you were trying to catch him up on some sin of omission. Don't ask him for plans for a church-wide study programme. And don't expect him to be holding a Standard of Excellence in his hand when you enter his study, or to be able to call off glibly the titles of the latest study books. Remember, he has worries that only the pastor can carry. But that doesn't mean that mission study work must go undone.

You make the plans, women. You organize a sure-fire committee, and outline an all-inclusive programme. Then go to your pastor and talk things over. You'll find him ready and glad to co-operate—relieved, too, for he has doubtless said a thousand times to himself, ''Get the Women's Missionary Societies behind the job and the work will be done''.

Don't forget that a study class which the men can attend may mean a dinner—and who but the women will prepare it? The crowd will have to be rounded up—and who but the women will sit at the telephone to do it? Our boards want full and accurate reports, and certainly it is the women who have the time and patience to compile them!

After all, men have not been entirely excluded from the missionary activities. In an indirect but very effectual way they have become well informed on the subject.

Young sons and daughters have a habit of going to ''Daddy'' for missionary pennies. And ''Daddy'' has listened to the help given little Chinese, or American Indian boys and girls—for the children have their very own activities. Soon years pass and the childish ''Daddy'' has shortened to ''Dad''. But he listened just as interestedly of the carefully saved dollar from the allowance of spending money going for the work of sharing Christ with others. And then they grow to be men and women, and husbands hear their wives explain how they set apart a sum from the household purse for the Women's Missionary Society pledge. And, women, don't we all pass on our study class experience to our husbands so they will be prepared for understanding giving when the annual budget time rolls around? Don't we systematically see to it that our menfolk believe in missions—and isn't that definite missionary education?

Few men are situated so they can attend study classes. Business uses their daytime hours, and often they are too tired when evening comes. Again the responsibility falls back to the women. It is up to us to educate the men of our Church, whether we do it singly or set up plans in which they can have a part. It is the women who must be the dynamo behind the pastor, and if we have failed to recognize this fact, we have failed our pastors in a work they were expecting us to do.

It will never be necessary for us to *make* a place for missionary education in our churches; it already has its place in the heart of every woman. And if we women work one hundred per cent. strong, the work will ''go over'' one hundred per cent. effectual—including our boys, young men, older men, as well as our women in a church-wide plan of mission study.

Which brings us out to the very logical conclusion—why NOT Feminize Mission Study?—*Gladys Revelle in Women and Missions.*

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A Smoother

ONE of the easiest things in the world to be is a ''ruffler'', one who stirs up others to their discomfort. Unconsciously we may cause heartache to a sensitive soul. This may be done by the tone of voice, indifference in attitude, a thoughtless question, or a short answer. We may even cause a ripple by a misinterpreted laugh or a careless word. It is so easy to offend and so difficult to smooth out differences. Perhaps you have had an experience which is still fresh in memory.

There are people who seem to be born rufflers and some who are always endeavoring to be pacifiers. Of course we would all prefer to be known as people of peace. If we are to be known as such, we must enter into the plan of another and try to get her viewpoint. How easy it is to stir up a spirit of unrest by lack of cooperation. To never seem to be in agreement is to be a disturber.

Peace-lovers accept criticism without bitter comment when it is possible. It is surely best to preserve a calm spirit—at least on the surface. A person said of an intimate friend—''She always made things easier.'' She was never conspicuous in her work in the church, ''but by her tactful, kindly manner, she was always helping to iron out little difficulties and helping the wheels to turn smoothly.'' This young woman by a tactful word was able at times to so clear the dense atmosphere that ''all went out laughing at their folly.''

How valuable such a person is in the missionary society! Why not be peaceable, generous, gracious? George Eliot said—''What do we live for if not to make life less difficult for one another?'' It may be the path of least resistance to speak one's mind but it is not the path of peace. To make life a little easier is the work of the so-called ''smoother''. Such a life shall not live in vain.—*Selected.*

''God gives to each life light like a lamp,
And in each lamp due measure of oil.
Lamp filled, wick lighted, lift high, swing wide!''

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

VISIT the book tables at the Provincial meetings, and all gatherings where a Literature table has been arranged. Whether or not you purchase, visit the table, and see the helps for speakers, and programmes. It is well worth while, and will save your Literature Secretary both time and trouble, when you know just what you wish to order during the year. She is eager to increase her totals for your district, and to give service to the Society. In this, as in all departments, your cooperation means very much indeed.

The celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of the Church in June of this year, turns one's thoughts back to historical avenues. The following are recommended:

THE BLACK BEARDED BARBARIAN tells the story of the beginning of the great mission field which we now hold in Formosa. Vivid and colorful, it tells the terrific efforts of one man of faith against great odds. Price, bound in cloth, $1.00.

WHY I AM A PRESBYTERIAN, by W. W. Bryden, Professor of Church History at Knox College, Toronto. This book should be in every Presbyterian Library and home. Price, cloth bound, $1.25.

McQUEEN OF EDMONTON is among the most interesting of our historical books. It gives the life of this pioneer minister and pictures of early days that are both fascinating and stirring. It is the story of a beloved minister of our Church and it is the story of the pioneer west. $1.25, bound in red and gold.

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THE COMMANDMENTS OF CHRIST JESUS, a beautifully printed little book of the commandments of Jesus, culled from the four gospels. Price each 10c.

LETTERS from Johanan, collector of taxes, and one from Zacchaeus, collector of taxes at Jericho. These letters convey in the most beautiful way the effect the Master had upon all who met Him. Young women and girls have been using them for a reading at their meetings. Price 10c. for the set of two.

Two New Plays

WHAT LACK I YET and GREAT POSSESSIONS are two splendid one act plays for adults, suitable for a Church organization. Especially good for managers or Women's Associations as they stress stewardship. Price per book including both plays, 25c.

New Leaflets

WHAT EXACTLY IS THE W.M.S.? a *free* leaflet written by our late Editor Miss M. C. G. Fraser. It explains the organization outline of the Society.

HOW THE W.M.S. WHEELS GO ROUND, by Mrs. D. Calvin, and

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OUR LETTER BOX

News from Miss Todd on Her New Field

Brownvale, Alta.

"SEVEN weeks have passed since I arrived in the Peace River country, and I am glad to say that I have no desire to return to city life. At first, time seemed to pass very slowly, but now the days just speed along, and I sometimes wish it were possible to check the pace.

The field is large, and the opportunities for service are great. There are four districts: Brownvale; Griffin Creek—8 miles south; Blue Hawk—8 miles north; and Figure Eight—11 miles north. The latter district was included since Mr. Fraser took over the field, and the work there seems to be going ahead with splendid interest. I have organized a Mission Band in every district, and a Girls' Group in each of three. Brownvale and Blue Hawk already had Ladies' Aid Societies, associated with the W.M.S., and they are still functioning. A new north point is being added, which will make the field larger, and give me further opportunities for service. It is 15 miles to the school-house where we will hold service and Sunday School, and 19 miles to the farthest home. We received a letter asking if it would be possible to start work among the children. Last week we spent a whole day in the neighborhood. It was a real pioneer mission trip. The country is very beautiful, and most fascinating. Most of the roads are just trails, winding out and in through bush and field, up hill and down dale. The day was mild, but it snowed in the afternoon, and some of the trails were invisible to human eye on our return journey. However, thanks to the horses, we reached Brownvale in safety. Everyone seemed to appreciate the fact that Christian work might soon be started, and they were grateful for the magazines, *Records,* Sunday School papers and tracts which we took along.

I have not yet started out with my own outfit, but the cutter is now being painted, so I should be off on my own at the beginning of next week. I like driving the team, and apparently I must at least look like a driver. Several have told me that they thought I must have been quite a teamster before coming here.

Christmas was a very happy season. The W.M.S. of Edmonton and Calgary, and the Alexander Bible Class of Victoria Church, Toronto, made it possible for us to distribute 200 presents. All of these had to be wrapped separately, in 'Christmasy' paper, but this was a very pleasant duty, and the weariness was all forgotten when I saw the eyes of the children sparkle, and heard their exclamations of delight as they received a new toy or a nice warm scarf or something else from Santa Claus.

We had a special Mission Band meeting in Brownvale Church after Christmas, to which we invited the parents. Quite a few came, and they were surprised and delighted to see the children carry through the programme themselves.

This picture was taken at a reception which the women of Blue Hawk had for Miss Todd. The girls standing near to her are some of the faithful members of the Y.W.A.

A similar Mission Band meeting was held at Figure Eight, and again the parents were very interested. The children are very keen and picking up the choruses very quickly, despite the fact that we have no organ or piano.

It is rather amusing in Brownvale to hear the children play Mission Band. One pretends to be Miss Todd, and the other children and dolls are lined up and told to sing 'Jesus Bids Us Shine', 'Jesus Loves the Little Children' and so on.

It is worth coming up here for the sake of the children alone. They respond so readily. At one Mission Band I was speaking of how Jesus gave thanks for the loaves and fishes, and I said that we should thank God for our food before we eat. One little girl of 5 years, said, 'We don't say Grace, because Daddy doesn't like it.' I told her it was possible for her to say it alone. Next morning at Sunday School when talking of how we could tell others about Jesus, this child said, 'Do you remember what you told us to do yesterday? We did it at supper last night!'

I love the work and am so glad I was sent here. The weather has been very cold since Christmas, but I have only frozen my nose and cheek once.''

—Mary Todd.

What Does a Home Missionary Need a Motor Car For?

Red Deer, Alta.

"THIS fall has been particularly busy as we have not had a permanent minister. There has been a great deal of sickness and consequently a large number of calls to be overtaken. All these visits along with my organizations could not possibly have been made without my car. It has proved an expensive affair but I do not know how I ever managed without it. This morning I had to go to town after equipment for a lantern slide lecture to be held tomorrow night. After dinner I was able to make three calls and conduct a Mission Band meeting in a district 12 miles away. Altogether I travelled nearly 60 miles. Yesterday I drove 20 miles, had 2 meetings, and made 3 calls—tomorrow my programme includes 4 calls, 1 meeting, and a lantern slide lecture in the evening, travelling over 45 miles. These trips could not possibly be done with a team, and kept up day after day. The weather this fall has been ideal and each morning I have great reason to be thankful for the car, good roads and pleasant sunshine.

Last year our givings, from these fields, to missions amounted to nearly $50. This year we hope to double this amount, if possible. Already we have sent in $58.86 and there is still a month and a half left. I hope our dream will be realized and that the people in giving to missions will catch a vision of the glorious task in which they have the privilege of sharing.''

—Frieda E. Matthews.

Glimpses of Work in Bekevar, Sask.

"ON Christmas day in spite of the terrible cold, it was 45 degrees below zero, we had about the same number of children at Church. After the regular service, we had a little Christmas play, that everybody enjoyed very much. We had lovely presents from Mrs. Horne, of Regina, and our little friends, the Girls' Club, of Burlington, Ontario, sent a large parcel, mostly clothing and warm knitted gloves, etc. The children and parents were thankful and happy to know that their Presbyterian sisters remember them.

We had five W.M.S. meetings last year, starting in August, and sent $5.75 to our Treasurer. It is a small amount, but we hope, next year, to do better. We began with 18 members and we closed the year with 27 members. Our women like it very much.

All January, the thermometer registered 35 to 40 degrees below zero, sometimes 48. In this dreadful cold as very few people came to church, Mr. Kovacs went out for cottage service and I spent almost the whole month visiting in the southeast part of the colony. In each home, I spent two or three days and then moved on to the nearest neighbor. I gathered the family together, holding a religious hour, and a Bible talk for the children. In free hours of the day I showed them how they could use old material to make quilts. On clean flour bags I drew nice Hungarian motifs and taught them embroidery. I also showed them how to can different kinds of meat, if the housewife did not know before, and how to prepare a variety of food. They liked this form of visit and very many invited me again.

In January the colony received a wonderful present from Mrs. H. R. Horne. As a result 35 or 40 families are going to have warm quilts, coats, underwear, and dresses. It was really a marvellous gift from our brethren and sisters. I wish they could see the happy, thankful faces and see the small homes where the gifts went.'' —*Mrs. Frank Kovacs.*

A Visit to Korean Mission Groups

Kobe, Japan.

"MISS MACDONALD and I had a most interesting and worth while trip up in Hokkaido and Karafuto, visiting Korean groups. It was our first trip to the north. We saw groups feeling very keenly the need of leaders, as the pastor from Hokkaido is only able to go up into Karafuto twice each year. One group seemed to have much zeal, as they carry on regularly, twice each Sunday, with the Wednesday evening prayer meeting. They had grouped together two years ago and built their own little church. We had four meetings with them.

Another group, which had formerly met regularly, had grown discouraged because their leader had gone to Korea. We had five meetings there and urged them to meet together for prayer, singing and Bible study. They are a promising group, but we long for a leader for them. Away in the far north, where we had time for only one meeting and where we found very few Christians, we urged them to meet regularly, and we were so much pleased to hear since that they are continuing to do so. We do long so much to be able to send an evangelist to Karafuto. Our work is growing very quickly and calls are continually coming to us.

In the spring a General Assembly of the Korean Christian Church in

Japan was organized, and this fall this organization was recognized by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Korea and by the National Council.

Last Sunday I was in Kyoto, where I had the pleasure of meeting with three women's groups, besides attending the usual morning and evening worship services. The pastor and Bible woman are both very busy indeed, with their prayer meetings and study classes every night in the week in some group, besides their Sunday services.'' *—Mary E. Anderson.*

Greetings from a Formosa Bible Woman

Taihoku, Formosa.

"ONE of the old Bible women An-so, or An-m as we usually call her, came along to our house this week, and brought paper, envelope and stamp, and asked me to write to the W.M.S. ladies in Canada on her behalf, and send her greetings for Christmas and the coming year. What she said was, 'your friends over in the homeland have shown so much love to the people here and help them so much,' that her heart is very moved, and she wants you to know that she is truly grateful and she loves you all and prays that God may bless, and give you peace. She is such a dear earnest Christian, and although now too old to work in hospital, and is receiving a small pension, she goes around into many homes teaching and leading the women and children to Christ. I am so happy to send her message.'' *—(Mrs. G.) Margery Gushue-Taylor.*

Tamsui Church Choir, Formosa.

This is a new departure. The members were taken from all three schools and the younger members of the teaching staff. Every Sunday service in the Church has been enriched by selections by the choir, the aim being to make the singing of the hymns better as the organ alone is not sufficient for such a large congregation.

Praise and Prayer

He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate
He suffered and was buried
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures.

This is the Day which the Lord hath made
We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
O sons and daughters, let us sing!
The King of Heaven, the glorious King
O'er death today rose triumphing
Alleluia!

O GOD of Heaven, we praise Thee for this gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: for His life, for His death and for His glorious Resurrection from the dead. We praise Thee that to the women who loved Thee was given the privilege of telling to the other disciples the story of our Lord's victory over death and the grave. And we thank Thee that down through the ages, the privilege of witnessing to this grace of God has ever been ours. We bless Thee that today we in this Society — even we — are trusted to work for the building up of the Church of the living God. We bless Thee for the men and women who having heard Thy call ''Follow Me'' have left all for the joy that is set before them, and the companionship of Him Who is with them always. For Thy power and love and compassion exhibited in their lives, and for all Thou hast wrought through these, Thy servants, we bless Thee.

We remember before Thee with affection many with whom we have walked who serve Thee this day in Thy Temple. With them we would ascribe blessing and honor and glory and power unto Him that sitteth upon the Throne and unto the Lamb forever and ever. Amen.

O Lord of all with us abide
In this our joyful Easter tide,
From every weapon death can wield
Thine own redeemed forever shield.

Christ Our Hope

All (prayerfully):

O love of God! O sin of man
In this dread act your strength is tried,
And victory remains with love
For He, our Lord is crucified.

CHRIST OUR ATONEMENT

Leader—"I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me."

Hymn 192—"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross."

Scripture Reading—John 20: 1-21.

Prayer

THE POWER OF HIS RESURRECTION

Leader—"Jesus said I am the Resurrection."

O, the power of His resurrection
To send light and strength,
To evoke song,
To dispel gloom,
To make men believe in the resurrection of the dead and the power of the world to come, when with the morn those angel faces smile, that we have loved long since and lost awhile.
To give victory over sin and sorrow.

Hymn 225—"The Head that Once was Crowned with Thorns."

Sentence prayers

Solo

Offering . . . . **Doxology**

Talk—The First Day of the Week. John 20: 1, 19, 26.

The first day of the week now known as the Lord's Day.

The observance of this day, has been a source of growth
and strength to the Christian Church.
We find the disciples assembled, Christ met them there, to
comfort and guide them.
It is still the appointed day for meeting with our Lord.
He will guide us in our worship and service.

Hymn 344—''O Day of Rest and Gladness.''
Prayer (in unison)—From the *Glad Tidings*, (page 143).
Hymn 554—''O, Jesus I Have Promised.''
Closing—Apostles' Creed (in unison).

This service was prepared by Mrs. J. M. Warren, Mrs. A. C. Stewart, Mrs. J. Tytler, Miss J. B. Welsh, of Toronto Presbyterial.

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SUGGESTED HELPS

Papers in the Exchange Department.
The *Glad Tidings*.
The Literature Department.

YOUNG WOMEN

The Easter Dawn

IT was just after the sunrise. The glory of the first Easter dawn had bathed the world in light and all was bright and beautiful. It was the morning of the Resurrection. In that tender light of dawn, Christ arose.

Christianity rejoices in the spiritual assurances of the Resurrection. Especially in this northern clime, are we cheered and encouraged at Eastertide, by the advent of spring—nature's revival of the glories that have lain dormant during the winter months. Thus it is that the coming of Easter brings to each one of us a feeling of happiness.

As we sing ''Christ is Risen'', we should make sure that He has risen in our hearts and is living and ruling there. Perhaps there never was a time when our hearts should yearn more to help ease the burden of others. Our Auxiliary is the open door of opportunity to those of us who wish to accept our share in ''Winning the World for Christ.''

Are we responding as we might? Are we doing the work we are able to do now, or are we sitting idle because we have visions of a great work we will do at some future date? Are we letting some one else bear our responsibility? Are we looking too much for results from the little we do instead of leaving the results to Him who gives the will for the task?

May we, each one, realize that it is the quality of our service which makes it valuable.

Is your place a small place?
Tend it with care!
He set you there.

Is your place a large place?
Guard it with care!
He set you there.

Whate'er your place, it is
Not yours alone, but His
Who set you there.
—*John Oxenham.*

Adventuring

Miss Barbara Dougherty, Young Women's Secretary of Quebec Provincial, sends us the following interesting report of the activities of the Montreal Young Women's Leaders' Fellowship:

"The Rally this year, at the request of the Presbyterial, was in charge of the Montreal Young Women's Auxiliary Leaders' Fellowship. Instead of the usual reports each Auxiliary was asked to give one fact about missions learned during 1934. The answers covered practically every phase of the W.M.S. work and were written in brief on the blackboard. Our two outstanding Auxiliaries, financially, reported among other things—'every member with something to do is every member interested.'

"The Fellowship lecture course, for this year, is 'The Books of the New Testament and their Writers.' Rev. William Orr Mulligan is again the lecturer. Miss Margaret Macnaughton, the immediate past president of the Fellowship, has just become assistant Y. W. Secretary of the Presbyterial." —*Fergie D. Holman.*

Where Shall I Work?

"Father, where shall I work today?"
And my love flowed warm and free.
Then He pointed me out a tiny spot
And said, "Tend that for Me."
I answered quickly, "Oh, no, not that.
Why, no one would ever see,
No matter how well my work was done.
Not that little place for me."
And the word He spoke, it was not stern,
He answered me tenderly,
"Ah, little one, search that heart of thine.
Art thou working for them or Me?
Nazareth was a little place,
And so was Galilee."
—*From Near East Facts.*

GIRLS AND LEADERS

A Service of Worship For Easter Week

> ''The First and Last
> Gave until even He could give no more;
> His very living
> Such was Christ's giving.''

THE following service is suggested for use by a group or a department sometime during Easter week; if possible, early on Easter Sunday morning. To make the service as beautiful as possible, it should be held in the church; the girls should practise the hymns, and the girls doing the reading should be carefully chosen (one or two girls should do the reading throughout). The organist and all those taking part should be provided with a copy of the service, so that it may be followed through without announcements. To this service parents and interested members of the congregation might be invited.

In each case, the Scripture passage is to be read first, followed by the hymn.

Soft music, or use as a Processional, Hymn 91 (Book of Praise)—''Praise my soul the King of Heaven.''

The Birth of our Saviour

Isaiah 9: 6. Hymn 179 (verses 1 and 2)—''Angels from the Realms of Glory.''

Jesus and the Children

Matt. 18: 1 to 3. Hymn 738—''I think when I read that sweet story of old.''

His Life of Service

Mark 1: 32, 33, 38. Hymn 582 (verses 1 and 2)—''O Master, let me walk with Thee.''

The Triumphal Entry

Mark 11: 1, 2, 7, 8, 9. Hymn 21—''Ye gates, lift up your heads on high.''

Christ's Agony and Death

Mark 14: 32; Luke 22: 41 to 45. Hymn 734—''There is a green hill far away.''

The Living Lord

Luke 24: 1 to 6. Hymn 221—''Christ the Lord is risen today.''

Prayer (all joining)

''O God, our Heavenly Father, Whose love sent down Jesus Christ to dwell on earth with us and to tell us of Thee, we thank Thee for His joyful life. We rejoice that He came to earth humbly, and that He grew as we do; that He loved the little children and laid His hands upon them; that His life was spent in giving to all those who needed Him. We thank Thee for His courage in the face of pain and death, and most of all for His resurrection. May He enter triumphantly today into our hearts, driving out all that is selfish and untrue; there may He dwell in risen glory, that the joy and beauty of His life may be reflected in our Christlike deeds of love and service. In His name we ask it. Amen.

Hymn 374—''Jesus shall reign where'er the sun.''

—*O. M. Hill.*

MISSION BANDS

IT'S EASTER TIME

IT was Easter morning. Jane ran out into the garden as soon as she had finished her breakfast. ''Oh how lovely!'' she exclaimed. The sun was shining and the birds were singing gaily, the flowers and trees seemed to be singing too, as they moved gently in the soft breeze.

Jane felt the magic spell of it all. She thought of the winter just passed, her garden had seemed dead then, the snow and ice had covered it over and even the birds had deserted it. She remembered that in those long winter days she had often gazed out of the window and wondered if her garden would ever be beautiful again. But a miracle had happened, the garden was once again full of life and joy and beauty.

Jane walked along a path beside the flower beds, some of the flowers were just pushing green fingers through the soft earth, others were quite tall, and some were almost in bloom. They all seemed to be reaching up and trying to tell her it was Easter again. She thought of the time in the autumn, when she had helped her father plant the bulbs, how dead they had appeared then, but how gloriously alive they were now.

She ran over to the maple tree. Its branches were no longer bare but were covered with tiny buds. As it stretched up to the sunshine it too seemed to be singing, ''It's Easter! it's Easter! it's Easter!'' Overhead the birds were singing happily trying to tell all the world of their joy on this Easter day; the bushes and shrubs beside the fence were nodding gaily to each other as they wakened from their long winter sleep, even the damp, moist earth seemed to be happy as it drank in the warm spring sunshine. Everything in the garden was living and full of joy and happiness.

Jane ran into the house. ''Oh, Mother,'' she cried, ''I am so happy! And the garden is happy too, everything in it is singing 'It's Easter Day'.''

''Yes, dear,'' said her mother, ''That is the message the garden tells us every spring. Easter comes in the spring time for it was at this time of year that Jesus died and rose again; proving to all the world that when we die we too shall rise again. His promise of new life is the greatest message the world has ever received, so it is no wonder that Easter is the glad season when all the land receives new growth and fulfils the promise of life after sleep. The garden shares its joy with us and we should be like the garden and share the Easter story with all the world.''

Jane sighed happily, and said she would be so glad when every little boy and girl all around the world had heard the beautiful Easter story.

—B. K. Riddell.

Leaders' Corner

A RURAL BAND

KEEPING up the average of attendance the year round is quite a problem in the rural districts. In winter we have to contend with weather and road conditions and the long distances the children have to go home. In spring and summer the rush of work on the farms and market gardens demands the help of all the family, and permission to go to Mission Band is not so readily given by some of the parents.

Three years ago we made some changes in our programme that have helped keep our average attendance high and bring in new members.

We received permission from the school trustees to hold our winter meetings in the school where most of our members attended. Thus we lost no time—started our meetings the moment school closed and stopped sharp at 5.00 p.m., enabling all the children to reach home before dusk.

For the summer we planned outdoor meetings as far as weather permitted, trying to make each one attractive in some special way.

Early spring found us taking hikes through the valleys for spring flowers. Warmer days brought picnics and swimming parties. Work meetings became verandah parties. Mothers and friends of the W.M.S. joined us at a garden tea and display of our year's work. In the fall months we hiked again.

Our regular programme was not neglected at these outdoor meetings. Our study book always came first, even if we sometimes followed it seated on a rail fence in a sunny corner, or in our bathing suits by the old swimming hole.

Cookies and fruit were provided by W.M.S. helpers and the children sent home in groups in charge of a helper or an older girl, by 5.45 p.m.

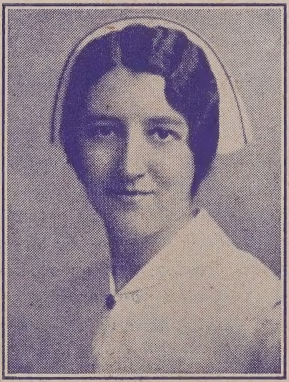
A number of our Mission Band members were from families not affiliated with any church in our district. By making each meeting a special event, the children from these homes were so keen to attend that even on the busiest days their mothers let them come. All the mothers were told that the children were well supervised and would be home at a stated time.

We found this plan kept our attendance high and helped us win the prize for the most new members in our district for two successive years.

—(Mrs. W. C.) Margaret Wallace,
Melville Mission Band, West Hill, Ontario.

OUR NURSE'S PICTURE

Copies of this photograph of our Mission Band Nurse, Miss Iris M. Errey, are now available. The picture itself is 2" x 1½", and is printed on glossy paper, 5½" x 3½". It is suitable to mount on cardboard or in a folder, it also could be framed. We are indebted to Mrs. M. H. Braden, Barrie Presbyterial Mission Band Secretary, for this suggestion. The picture may be ordered from our Publications Department, Room 700, 372 Bay Street, Toronto. Price 3c. each, or two for 5c.



Miss Iris M. Errey

APRIL

Something tapped at my window pane,
Some one called me without my door.
Some one laughed like the tinkle o'rain,
The robin echoed it o'er and o'er.

I threw the door and the window wide;
Sun and the touch of a breeze and then—
"Ah, were you expecting me, dear?" she cried,
And here was April come back again.

—Theodosia Garrison.

Springtide

A little door, a green door,
  Is building on the hill.
For weeks I've heard the tapping
  Of small hammers at the sill,
And today I saw the doorknob
  Was a daffodil.

Another dawn, another day,
  If skies hang blue,
I'll see the door fly open—
  You'd best be watching, too!
For April is the green door
  That Loveliness comes through
—*Kathryn Worth.*

Fourteen Points on the Bible and Missions

1. Every book in the New Testament was written by a foreign Missionary.

2. Every epistle in the New Testament that was written to a Church was written to a foreign Missionary Church.

3. Every letter in the New Testament that was written to an individual was written to the convert of a foreign Missionary.

4. Every book in the New Testament that was written to a community of believers was written to a general group of foreign Missionary Churches.

5. The one book of prophecy in the New Testament was written to the seven foreign Missionary Churches in Asia.

6. The only authoritative history of the early Christian Church is a foreign Missionary journal.

7. The disciples were called Christians first in a foreign Missionary community.

8. The language of the books of the New Testament is the Missionary's language.

9. The map of the early Christian world is the tracings of the Missionary journeys of the Apostles.

10. The problems which arose in the early church were largely questions of Missionary procedure.

11. Of the twelve Apostles chosen by Jesus every Apostle except one became a Missionary.

12. The only man among the twelve Apostles who did not become a Missionary became a traitor.

13. Only a foreign Missionary could write an everlasting Gospel.

14. According to the Apostles the Missionary is the highest expression of the Christian life.—*William A. Brown, in The Expositor.*

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. J. M. MOODIE, 2719, 14TH ST. W., CALGARY, PRESS SECRETARY

CALGARY P.S. twenty-first annual meeting was held in Grace Church, Calgary, January 30th, Mrs. R. S. Gibson presiding. A preparatory prayer service was held the previous evening in Knox Church, and this was indeed a service of true consecration. Prayers were offered for ''new converts'' and for ''the wives of our missionaries.'' Rev. D. K. Perrie, pastor of the North Hill Church, gave a helpful and comforting address on ''Prayer and the Christian Life,'' stressing the great need of having true communion with God. An impressive hour of prayer, led by Mrs. R. H. Williams, of St. Andrew's Church, followed, with over 40 women taking part. Prayers were offered for each of our missionaries and Christian workers, both at home and overseas.

At the morning session Mrs. J. H. Jamieson, Treasurer, reported that not only had the Presbyterial allocation been exceeded by $116.00, but there had also been an increase in membership. A discussion on finances was introduced by Mrs. Jamieson and this proved so interesting she was asked to repeat it. At the afternoon session Mrs. F. W. Allott brought greetings from the Provincial and made an appeal to the ladies to try and get more of our church women interested in missions. Mrs. D. W. McMillan, Supply Secretary, reported supplies to the value of $264.97 had been sent to Waterways; the Boys' and Girls' Residential Schools at Vegreville; Brownvale, Dixonville, Grande Prairie, Rocky Mountain House, Wanham and Pouce Coupe. Mrs. R. S. Gibson, retiring President, in her address gave an appropriate message to the ladies to spend themselves in Christian work. If they could not give their substance, they could give their time and energy to the promotion of mission work. Rev. Jas. McNeil installed the new officers.

At the evening service, which was in the hands of the young people, a two minute silence was observed, in memory of the late Miss Elsie Gray. Mrs. R. L. Freeman reported at this session on the work of the Young Women's Auxiliaries, and Miss C. Muldoon, on the C.G.I.T. Greetings and appropriate addresses were given by Mrs. A. E. Cross, representing the Anglican Church, and Mrs. R. M. Harvey, the Baptist Church.

A fine spirit of optimism prevailed at the opening meeting, in the new year, of Grace Church Auxiliary. The new President, Mrs. T. M. Allen, presided. A comprehensive report of the activities of the past year was given by the Secretary, Mrs. Graham. Mrs. T. L. Walker gave her final report of the Special Campaign Fund, which was very satisfactory. Mrs. Barroll, the new *Glad Tidings* Secretary, urged the need for all members to subscribe to our missionary magazine. She spoke of the wonderful contributions contained within its pages, and the high standard of efficiency our paper had attained, and closed her remarks by reading an article from the December number. Mrs. Wilson read the Scripture lesson, from Gal. 6. Formosa was the field of study for this meeting, and Mrs. F. W. Allott gave an excellent talk on our work there. She outlined the rise and progress of Christianity in this field, and paid high tribute to many of the faithful workers in this part of the Master's vineyard.

Edmonton P.S. January meeting was opened with devotionals by Mrs. Sykes, the President, and Mrs. R. H. MacMicking. The reports of all the officers and Secretaries show wonderful faithfulness and true devotion to our cause. Dr. Margaret Strang Savage, Miss Grigor, and Miss Todd are doing wonderful work in the field to which each is assigned.

Red Deer P.S.—At the annual meeting of Knox Church W.M.S., Red Deer, reports given by the various officers all showed increases. Mrs. Menzie reported that 3 members of the Mission Band had qualified for Life Memberships. Mrs. McVicar, retiring Supply Secretary, was given a hearty vote of thanks for her faithfulness to the supply work. After the business was completed, a social hour was enjoyed, in commemoration of the 70th anniversary of the W.M.S., Mrs. McVicar, the oldest member, cutting the birthday cake.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. W. J. SMITH, BOX 138, ARMSTRONG, PRESS SECRETARY

WE of this Province join with the W.M.S. of all Canada in mourning the loss of Miss Fraser, our beloved Editor-in-chief. Ours is the loss but hers the great gain.

Victoria P.S.—Challenging addresses urging the women to rededicate themselves and with a new vision ''to look upward and outward, and not inward'' to the great task of furthering the missionary work of the Presbyterian Church, were given by Miss Laura K. Pelton, Y.W. Travelling Secretary, and Mrs. Owen Campbell, both of Montreal, at the opening meeting of the Presbyterial, in St. Andrew's Church, Victoria. Mrs. W. L. Clay, first Vice-President, presided in the absence of the President, Mrs. W. Saunders, whose illness was much regretted. Mrs. D. M. McCall, Corresponding Secretary, reported the year's activities, chief among which was the twentieth anniversary of the Provincial W.M.S. in March, 1934; addresses had been given by Rev. C. P. and Mrs. Young, and Mrs. Thos. Wilson, Provincial Corresponding

Secretary, who gave an account of the meeting in Montreal which marked the seventieth anniversary of the W.M.S.; the amalgamation of Gorge and Erskine Auxiliaries had been beneficial; successful work was carried on in Port Alberni and Duncan; the Chinese W.M.S. met its allocation; much valuable work was done in the Library Department. The whole work showed signs of improvement, encouraging all present. Miss Pelton gave a most thoughtful and inspiring address at one of the afternoon sessions. She urged her listeners to strive to ''grow up'' in their prayer life and to realize the importance of giving rather than asking.

Westminster P.S.—The ''Burning Lamp'' Mission Band, St. Aidan's Church, New Westminster, celebrated their sixth anniversary with members of the W.M.S. and mothers of the children present. Mrs. Angus MacKay, of Jhansi, India, told delightful stories of her work among the children of the Gwalior Mission. After the address, a cake bearing six lighted candles, was cut and enjoyed by all present.

The 21st annual meeting of the Presbyterial Society was held in Mount Pleasant Church, Vancouver, February 12th, the President, Mrs. J. A. McPherson, presiding. Departmental reports were followed by the President's address, the election and installation of officers and an inspirational address by Miss Laura Pelton, Y.W. Travelling Secretary. At the tea hour greetings were brought from the Provincial W.M.S. by Mrs. Herd, and from Synod and Presbytery by the Moderator. The evening session was devoted to Young Women's work. Miss Pelton again addressed the gathering, thrilling her listeners as she presented a challenge to the young women of today. Mrs. Thompson gave the closing words, to end a meeting of deep spiritual significance.

Kamloops-Okanagan P.S. mourns the loss of one of its most valued members, Mrs. E. B. Smith, of West Summerland. She was a former member of the W.M.S. of St. Paul's Church, Toronto. Mrs. Smith's good judgment, her abounding zeal for missions makes her place one that cannot be filled, but one that leaves a fragrant memory with her co-workers of other days.

ONTARIO

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Ontario Provincial Becomes of Age
Celebrates 21st birthday at Knox Church, Toronto, April 9th, 10th, 11th

PROGRAMME OUTLINE.—Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Opening Session, Service of Remembrance, President's Address; 7.30 p.m., Young People's —''The Shining Years'', an historical pageant. Wednesday, a.m., Reports, Discussion; 2.00 p.m., Finance, Mrs. C. H. Thorburn, Missionary

Address Mrs. Angus MacKay, India; 8.00 p.m., Greetings from Council, Address Dr. Robert H. Glover, F.R.G.S. Thursday, a.m., Provincial Reports, Discussion; 2.00 p.m., With Our Deaconess Graduates, Address Rev. Luther Young, D.D., Kobe, Japan.

Railway Information

Going tickets and certificates will be issued from April 4th to 10th. Return journey up to and including April 15th. Delegates must buy single first class ticket asking at time of purchase for standard certificate. To secure rate the delegates whose tickets cost 75c. or more must adhere to this. Any member of Board of Management wishing ticket in advance must communicate at once with Mrs. C. H. Thorburn.

Many Auxiliaries in Ontario have paid sincere and worthy tribute to the life and work of the late Miss M. C. G. Fraser, loved by all who knew her or who had the privilege of reading *Glad Tidings*, which she edited.

The Mysteries

We know not what it is, this sleep so deep and still;
The folded hands, the awful calm, the cheek so pale and chill;
The lids that will not lift again, though we may call and call;
The strange white solitude of peace that settles over all.

We know not what it means, this desolate heart-pain;
The dread to take our daily way, and walk in it again;
We know not to what other sphere the loved who leave us go,
Nor why we're left to wonder still, nor why we do not know.

But this we know: Our loved and dead, if they should come this day—
Should come and ask us, "What is life?" not one of us could say.
Life is a mystery as deep as ever death can be;
Yet, oh, how dear it is to us, this life we live and see!

Then might they say—these vanished ones—and blessed is the thought:
"So death is sweet to us beloved! though we may show you nought;
We may not to the quick reveal the mystery of death—
Ye cannot tell us, if ye would, the mystery of breath."

The child who enters life comes not with knowledge or intent,
So these who enter death must go as little children sent.
Nothing is known! But I believe that God is overhead,
And as life is to the living, so death is to the dead.

—*Mary Mapes Dodge.*

C.G.I.T. Week was generally observed throughout the Province, many small groups as well as large conferences holding enthusiastic and interesting meetings. The theme was "Twenty Years A-Growing." This is an annual event but for the first year concerted action was attained throughout the Dominion.

Chatham P.S. feel they are off to a good start for this year. Last year's reports were most encouraging, many Auxiliaries exceeding their allocation, while all Y.W. Auxiliaries met theirs. Duart Auxiliary gave a Life Membership to Mrs. Carnegie.

At Knox Church, Listowel, Stratford P.S., the Golden Jubilee of the Auxiliary was celebrated. In the historical sketch of the seven organizations within the W.M.S. a golden candle was lighted for each, typifying how unified lighting dispelled the darkness of heathendom. In memory of those members who have passed on, a fragrant white blossom was placed in a golden vase as each name was called. The ceremony of passing the torch from Senior Auxiliary to Junior organizations was conducted by Mrs. A. G. MacPherson. Four Senior members in point of service were given suitable gifts, the Y.W.A. giving Life Membership pins to two other Senior members. Six children received Junior memberships. A Mission Band pageant, "Brave Adventurers," was well produced. There were two birthday cakes aglow with candles.

Enthusiasm and increased interest were evinced at the annual meeting of Ottawa P.S. Mrs. H. C. McKellar, Hamilton, addressed the Y.W. rally, challenging the young women to carry on this, "the greatest enterprise in the world." Miss Ramsay, Formosa, was another guest speaker. The representation from Auxiliaries was above average. This Presbyterial exceeded their Special Campaign Fund by $500. It was unanimously agreed that the mite-box system of collecting money be continued, non-members becoming Home Helpers. 1935 was entered with confidence and enthusiasm, endorsed by the hearty singing, led by Mrs. Thorburn, of "Hold the Fort." Mrs. J. R. Hill was re-elected President.

The Senior Auxiliary, Goforth Y.W.A., Mizpah Bible Class and Junior Mission Band of New St. James Church, London, presented Mrs. C. E. Margrett with an "In Memoriam" in memory of her daughter, Miss Frances Margrett.

A large, keenly interested audience listened to a rousing address by Mrs. C. H. Thorburn, Ottawa, at the annual supper meeting of Orillia W.M.S. Auxiliary. Nottawa Aux. held their February meeting on the 77th birthday of their loved President, Mrs. Janet Scott. She was presented with a beautiful plant. West Church Aux., Nottawasaga, entertained one hundred guests at a Valentine party at "Octomore Farm," the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Montgomery. A generous offering was received.

As the result of Miss I. McConnell's address in Goderich, the C.G.I.T. are making a study of India. They contribute generously to the W.M.S. and Special Campaign Fund, took part in Golden Jubilee programme, filled Christmas stockings for children of the Shelter, and provided Christmas cheer for needy families.

Peterborough P.S. annual meeting was held in St. Paul's Church, Peterborough. Mrs. K. B. Schroeder, Toronto, and Miss Jean C. MacLean, Kobe, Japan, were the speakers. An impressive memorial service for the late Mrs. G. F. Clark, was conducted by Mrs. Schroeder. Mrs. D. Ewart, in her closing remarks, urged the need of cooperation and loyalty to the W.M.S.

An interesting evening was arranged by Junior organizations of Parkdale Church, Toronto, Miss Helen Stevens describing the work of the ''Sungleam'' Girls' Aux., the ''Sunshine'' Class giving a short playette. Mr. T. J. Brook gave an illustrated talk on the ''Habits and Customs of the People of India.''

Mrs. W. W. McKechnie, who was President, 49 years ago, of the first Mission Band in Brampton, is the new President of the Senior Aux., which celebrates its Golden Jubilee this year.

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MONTREAL P.S. twenty-first annual meeting was held in Knox Crescent Church, Montreal, February 5th and 6th, the President, Mrs. A. W. Pae, in the chair. All reports of departmental Secretaries revealed consecrated effort and loving service. The Corresponding Secretary, in her summary, reported a total membership of 3731, an increase of 199. The Treasurer reported the sum of $13,990 forwarded to Provincial Treasurer, this amount being $320 below the allocation. Young Women's Auxiliaries contributed very generously, sending in $1,466, an increase of $126 over last year.

Miss Dorothy C. Douglas addressed the afternoon session and gave interesting details of the work being carried on among women and girls in Formosa. Miss Mary Hill followed, giving a clear and convincing portrayal of her work as carried on among the girls of our Church. Miss S. V. Scott, Young Women's Travelling Secretary, spoke briefly. Well attended conferences were held at the close of the afternoon session. The Rev. David Scott, M.A., B.D., conducted the devotional exercises at the evening meeting. Rev. Henry Cousens, B.A., brought greetings from Presbytery. Rev. D. E. McDonald, Jobat, India, delivered a forceful address in reply to the question ''Is Missionary Work Worth While?'' Beautiful colored slides were shown. At the concluding morning session the election of officers took place followed by the prayer of consecration. Mrs. Pae gave the closing words, earnestly pleading that we obey the command to ''go forward'' using for our guidance and support the ''rod'' of prayer, Ex. 14: 15, 16.

Changes in officers: Pres., Mrs. W. E. Baker; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. E. S. Harding, Mrs. W. Orr Mulligan, Mrs. W. J. McIvor, Mrs. H. M. Gall; Secretaries—Rec., Mrs. W. Roland Kennedy; Asst. Home Helpers, Mrs. W. J. Muir; Asst. Y.W., Miss Margaret Macnaughton; Mission Band and Girls' Work Supply, Miss Rita DePierro; *Glad Tidings*, Mrs. R. A. Sewell; Library, Mrs. E. S. MacInnes; Exchange, Mrs. R. M. McCleery; Press, Mrs. P. M. Little; Additional members—Mrs. Charles Johnson, Mrs. William Kydd, Mrs. W. T. B. Crombie, Mrs. W. Grant Stewart.

A Young Women's rally was held in Kildonan Hall, on February 4th. Rev. H. M. Gilmour, assistant pastor of the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul, welcomed the delegates and friends. Mrs. L. E. Tranter presided and the roll was called by Miss Barbara Doughtery. The speaker of the evening, Miss Dorothy C. Douglas, gave a vivid picture of her work in Tamsui. Miss Douglas, with obvious delight, made use of a very beautiful map, the work of one of the groups. Miss S. V. Scott spoke, Mrs. A. W. Pae brought Presbyterial, and Miss C. E. Cameron, Provincial greetings. A very inspiring meeting concluded with praise and prayer.

Quebec P.S.—Delegates from all parts of the Province were in attendance at the annual executive meeting held in Sherbrooke, on February 7th. Nearly all reports marked progress. Mrs. W. R. Price, President, occupied the chair at both sessions, during which the reception of departmental reports, the installation of officers and an inspiring address by Miss Dorothy Douglas, of Formosa, were outstanding features of the long and interesting agenda. Miss Cameron, of Montreal, President of the Provincial Board of the W.M.S., conducted the installation service and presided during the election of officers.

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REGINA P.S.—The sub-executive of the Provincial Board of the W.M.S. met February 13th at the home of Mrs. G. D. Ralston, Regina. Reports were received and accepted. The Provincial Board regret very much the loss of their Treasurer, Mrs. J. U. Barlow, who with her husband and family leave shortly to take up residence in Montreal. Mrs. S. Farley was appointed to act as Treasurer in place of Mrs. Barlow.

Mrs. G. M. Bell and her Sunday School class were hostesses to the members of the "Douglas Wilkie" Y.W.A. of North Side, and their leader, Mrs. John Shaw, at a supper meeting February 18th. The visiting young women were in charge of the missionary programme which was very much enjoyed.

Mrs. J. A. Sinclair kindly gave her home for a meeting of the C.G.I.T. Group of Eastview Sunday School. This Group, under the capable leadership of Miss Lily Macarthur, is very live and interested. At present they are much interested in the poster competition.

Miss Lily Simpson, en route from her home in Weyburn to Canora, remained over in Regina and addressed the Girls' Organization of North Side Church. Her message to the girls was very much enjoyed.

The Late Mrs. Jane Ross

Arlington Beach mission field mourns the loss of one of its oldest and most devoted members in the passing of the late Mrs. Jane Ross, at the advanced age of eighty-seven. She was born in Owen Sound, where she spent the early years of her life. Later, with her husband, in 1886, she came to Cymric, Sask., to make her home. Hers was a gracious and kindly disposition which found many opportunities for active kindness to the early settlers in their pioneer days. She was a most enthusiastic member of the Dunkeld Auxiliary and will be greatly missed in all church circles.

Pray-Give-Go

Three things the Master hath to do,
And we who serve Him here below
And long to see His Kingdom come
May Pray or Give or Go.

He needs them all,—the Open Hand,
The Willing Feet, the Praying Heart—
To work together and to weave
A threefold cord that shall not part.

Nor shall the giver count his gift
As greater than the worker's deed,
Nor he in turn his service boast
Above the prayers that voice the need.

Not all can Go; not all can Give
To speed the message on its way,
But young or old, or rich or poor,
Or strong or weak—we all can Pray;

Pray that the gold-filled hands may Give
To arm the others for the fray;
That those who hear the call may Go,
And pray—that other hearts may Pray!

—*Annie Johnson Flint*

''We have never ceased to marvel that Jesus in His infinite wisdom, committed such a sacred trust as the carrying of the Message of Salvation to the ends of the earth, to frail, faltering humanity.''

''Without me ye can do nothing.''—*Jesus.*

''I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.''—*Paul.*

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Almighty God, Who rulest in the Kingdom of men, we pray Thee to accept our devout and joyful thanksgiving for the reign of Thy servants, George our King and Mary our Queen, during these twenty-five years; for their godly sincerity, their noble simplicity, the example of their home and family life, and of their devotion to their people in all lands; and to grant that in the years to come they shall rejoice in Thy strength, O Lord, and be exceeding glad of Thy salvation.

Amen.

Editorial

The King's Jubilee

TWENTY-FIVE years ago, the people of the British Empire cheered the ascension to the throne of George V. This year, marking His Majesty's Silver Jubilee, they will cheer again, together with thousands from many other countries. It is right and proper that King George's twenty-fifth regnal year should be celebrated amid national rejoicings and thankfulness. Yet, amid all our thankfulness for the maintenance of Britain and the Dominions as a commonwealth of nations, which are firmly knit and respected throughout the world, we nevertheless cannot fail to realize that these twenty-five years have been a deeply tragic period of the world's history.

It opens with the peoples of the world living in abundant prosperity, or at any rate with all the means of abounding prosperity, and also of a high intellectual culture. It moves into the world war, the great catastrophe of modern civilization. It passes into the post-war fifteen years of dislocated economy and puzzled, groping social policies. The twenty-five years are concluded with the ''Great Depression'' still weighing upon Britain and the whole world, and with democratic principles, the basis of Britain's political life, challenged almost everywhere on the Continent.

In all these years of crowded history, amid so much effort, achievement, good fortune, ill-fortune, mistakes, recoveries, relapses, the pleasantest figure to contemplate is the King. Outside the rancours of political parties; exempt from secular prejudices of ancient and recent nationalism; immune from the impulse of personal ambition; unperplexed by competing schools of economics and society — he moves through the heroic scene steadfast, friendly, moderate, wise, grateful above all else for the devotion of the peoples of his Empire.

In the history of the thousand years of progression from absolutism to the democratic freedom we have today, no chapter has been more eventful than that written in the last quarter-century. It is significant of the trends of modern thought that in this jubilee year public sentiment should turn not to mass pageantry but to a commemoration through which human suffering will be relieved and human life prolonged.

While during Jubilee celebrations there will be many impressive ceremonies and processions, each expressive of happiness that a beloved King has been spared to govern and guide his peoples, and of hope that he may long continue as the Empire's head, Canadians will find in the Silver Jubilee Cancer Fund, inaugurated by His Excellency, the Governor-General, an effective means of expressing their loyalty and devotion to His Majesty, the King.

Governor-General Designate

MR. JOHN BUCHAN, M.P., Governor-General designate will be warmly welcomed in Canada not only for his personal gifts and personal achievements, but also for the fact that he is a Scotsman and belongs to a race that has done so much in the building up of this country. His welcome will be warmest from the Presbyterian Church in Canada, who see in him a noble and worthy son of the Kirk, one whom His Majesty the King greatly honored in appointing him for two consecutive years as Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the re-united Church of Scotland. Canadians everywhere will unite in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Buchan and their family every happiness in their occupancy of Rideau Hall, as the representative of His Majesty, the King.

The General Board of Missions

THE General Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met in St. Andrew's Institute, Toronto, on March 19th. The sessions continued throughout the week, and were presided over by Rev. James MacKay, B.D., D.D., of London, with Dr. Andrew S. Grant as Secretary. In addition to the Dominion-wide representation, including members from the Women's Missionary Societies (Eastern and Western Divisions) there were present Rev. Dr. Jonathan Goforth, of Manchuria; Rev. L. L. Young, of Japan; Mr. Angus MacKay, of Jhansi, India; and Dr. J. B. Cropper, of British Guiana.

One of the highlights of the week's session was the impressive ceremony which marked the presentation to the Board, of the missionary candidates appointed by the Women's Missionary Society to overseas work. Mrs. D. Inglis Grant, Candidates' Secretary of the W.M.S. (W.D.), presented the following young women, in turn, telling of their qualifications, educational attainments and the fields to which they had been appointed:

Miss Olwen Davies, B.A., of Willowdale, Ont., who is under appointment to the Principalship of the Girls' High School, New Amsterdam, British Guiana; Miss Ruth Heighton, B.A., Vancouver, B.C., under appointment as evangelistic worker to Formosa; Miss Mildred F. Weir, R.N., Agincourt, Ont., under appointment to the Mackay Memorial Hospital, Formosa.

Another great moment was the appointment, by the Board, to missionary service in Manchuko, of Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Johnson to succeed Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Jonathan Goforth, who have retired from active service. Mr. Johnson is at present pastor of the Dunn Memorial Presbyterian Church, Long Branch. He is an honor graduate in mathematics and physics from McGill University, and in 1933 graduated in theology from Princeton. He pursued post graduate work in Edinburgh and in Berlin. Mr. Johnson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson, Westmount, Montreal. Mrs. Johnson was formerly Catharine Cameron, of Vandergrift, Penn., and is a graduate of Ohio Western University. It is anticipated that the young missionaries will leave Canada in mid-summer.

A splendid response to the call for Western Relief was again reported, the Presbyterian Church in Canada distributing 329 car-loads of food and 21,000 pounds of clothing, provided by the East. This relief served 1,150 families. Appreciation was expressed for the work of Mrs. W. H. Fletcher, Toronto, in organizing the relief in the East.

Tribute was paid by the Board to the late Miss Mamie C. G. Fraser, former Editor of *Glad Tidings;* also to the late Mrs. W. McK. McLeod, Honorary President of the Eastern Division of the Women's Missionary Society.

The Highway of Christian Literature

IN the history of Christian Missions, it has been found so often that when all other ways of making Christ known are closed, Christian literature has served as a highway for all to travel by who care to do so. Even in areas where missionary work is well established, Christian literature is needed not only for presenting the Christian message to non-Christians but also for the upbuilding of converts and Christians in their faith.

In scattering Christian literature we liberate thistledown, laden with precious seed, which blown by the winds of the spirit, floats over the world. The story is told of a young Frenchman who had been wounded at the siege of Saint Quentin. He was languishing on a pallet in the hospital, when a tract that lay on the coverlet caught his eye. He read it and was converted by it. The monument of that man may be seen before the Church of the Consistory in Paris, standing with a Bible in his hand — Admiral Coligny, the leader of the Reformation in France. But the tract had not yet finished its work. It was read by Coligny's nurse, a Sister of Mercy, who penitently placed it in the hands of the Lady Abbess, and she, too, was converted by it. She fled from France to the Palatinate, where she met a young Hollander and became his wife. The influence which she had upon that man reacted upon the whole Continent of Europe, for he was William of Orange, who became the champion of liberty and Protestantism in the Netherlands.

The printed page never tires, it travels cheaply and requires no permanent buildings. It will reach those otherwise utterly unreachable and may be the only chance they will ever have of eternal life. John R. Mott places the need of Christian literature among the major needs, of the present time, in missionary work. In this issue you will find articles on work being done by our Society, through special grants for Christian literature, among the Chinese and Hungarians in Canada.

Anniversary Celebrated

THE twentieth anniversary of the National Girls' Work Board was celebrated at their annual meeting, in Toronto, April 2nd, by a birthday tea. Twenty candles and the blue and white colors of the Canadian Girls in Training decorated the birthday cake. The tea table was presided over by Mrs. W. M. Kannawin and Mrs. John Kelman, Girls' Organizations Secretary of our W.M.S.

Forty former members of the Board were present, and greetings were received from many parts of the Continent. Mrs. D. T. L. McKerroll, former Chairman, spoke briefly on the interesting events taking place during her term of office, and Miss O. Mary Hill, representing the Presbyterian Church in Canada, reported the work she is doing as Girls' Work Secretary, among the girls of our Church.

Present Presbyterian members on the Board are: Miss Winifred Ferguson, Recording Secretary; Miss O. Mary Hill, Secretary Promotion Committee; Mrs. D. T. L. McKerroll, Mrs. John Kelman, Miss Muriel Gray and Mrs. Arthur Cherry.

India's Needs Outlined by Dr. Ida Scudder

''WHERE the women are friends the men do not fight.'' This Japanese proverb was quoted by Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, outstanding mission worker and writer of Boston, at a luncheon given for her and Dr. Ida Scudder, distinguished medical missionary in India, during their recent visit to Toronto. Mrs. W. A. Batty, President of the Women's Baptist Foreign Mission Board, presided at the luncheon which was attended by representatives of mission boards of all the Protestant Churches and many distinguished missionaries.

Dr. Scudder has given thirty-five years of medical service to the women of India, whom she declares to be the most neglected in the world. Her grandfather, a physician in New York City in 1819, was one day given a leaflet on India by a woman patient. It so interested him that he gave up his practice, took a sailing ship and became the first medical missionary in India. As a young girl in India, Dr. Scudder devoted her own life to carrying on the same work. For the founding of the Missionary Medical College for Women, Vellore, India, of which she is President, Dr. Scudder was honored with the Kaiser-I-Hind medal by the British Government.

''Vellore College started with a sub-assistant surgeon grade, but now the British Government wants the standard raised to the M.B.B.S. degree. To do this it will be necessary to add ten new departments involving ten new chairs,'' said Mrs. Peabody in her appeal to those present to endow a chair as ''a gift of friendship from the Christian women of Canada to the women of the Orient.''

Enlarged Council Executive Meeting

THE Enlarged Council Executive Meeting will be held in the Canadian School of Missions, 97 St. George Street, Toronto, beginning May 28th, at 10 a.m. The meetings will be of a business nature, with one open session on Tuesday afternoon, at 2.30 o'clock, in the Sunday School room of Knox Church, Spadina Avenue. A public meeting, with addresses by returned missionaries, will be held in Calvin Church, Delisle Avenue, on Thursday evening, May 30th. Our members are asked to remember this important meeting in prayer.

Chinese Work in Montreal

THE Council Executive has arranged that the Society's work amongst the Chinese in Montreal, under the leadership of our beloved missionary, Miss Agnes Dickson, will now all be centered in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. This means that the activities formerly carried on by Miss Dickson, in the United Church building, Dorchester Street, will in future be held in the Chinese Y.M.C.A., where she has been holding the kindergarten for the Chinese children.

Acting-Editor

THE Council Executive has appointed Mrs. John D. Holman, Young Women's Secretary, who has been carrying on the editorial work of the *Glad Tidings* for the past two months, as Acting-Editor.

Earthquake in Formosa

SUNDAY, April 21st, was an anxious day for our Council Executive and our Church offices as a cable was received reporting a disastrous earthquake in Formosa, but no further particulars were given. Monday brought relief from our anxieties when a second cable was received from our missionaries in the stricken zone, stating, ''There is no cause for anxiety — all are quite safe. Please inform relatives.'' What a relief it was to be able to notify all relatives of the safety of their dear ones. The earthquake damage was greatest in the centre of the Island and our mission stations are in the north.

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to all our native Christian friends and we ask the prayers of our members, for our missionaries, as they undertake the difficult task of ministering to the stricken inhabitants in their district.

The "Figyelo"

(Hungarian Observer)

REV. FRANK KOVACS

DURING 1926 immigrants from Hungary began to arrive in increasing numbers in Ontario, until in 1927 their number reached about 10,000, in the various industrial and farming centres of the province. Seven and later nine preaching stations among Hungarian Calvinists were started under the care of the Home Mission Board and in 1928 four missionaries were in charge of the work. The first years in a new country are the most difficult and critical of an immigrant's life because they affect their future tendencies and development. There were and still are many scattered groups in Ontario and in the Prairie Provinces who had no spiritual care at all. To aid the Hungarian immigrants in their period of adjustment in the new homeland, to feed them spiritually and to encourage the scattered groups, the idea of starting a paper in the Hungarian language was born in Hamilton, Ontario, at a meeting of ministers and friends of Hungarian Presbyterian missions. Col. Chisholm agreed to get 12 subscriptions of $25 each. With this the *Figyelo* was started as a weekly magazine. The editor, Mr. Frank Kovacs, was assisted by Mrs. Rose Kovacs, who was well known as a writer in Hungary; and also by his fellow ministers.

Publishing a weekly magazine is an expensive matter, and as no permanent assistance was forthcoming, the *Figyelo* was later changed into a monthly. The ministers of Hamilton helped to clear up the debts of the paper at that time. It was a matter of financial burden to maintain the paper when all congregations failed to pay their subscriptions, owing to their own difficulties. But if it was worth starting, the work was worth maintaining. During the last few years the Women's Missionary Society has lightened the task of maintaining the paper by an annual grant of $120.00. So that if better times arrive, allowing the people to subscribe, circulation as well as size could be increased; 2,000 copies of the paper are published. Most of them go to congregations, to scattered groups and bundles to port workers of the Women's Missionary Society. There are many Hungarian Calvinists who learned of the whereabouts of Presbyterian churches and missions, from the *Figyelo*. And those who were too far from any Hungarian congregation, having learned of the work done among their countrymen by the Presbyterian Church, sought connection with some local English speaking Presbyterian Church.

The *Figyelo* has always given instruction about the historical, social and religious background of Canadian life to the newcomers and at the same time, by English articles, giving information about the past and present life of Hungarians in Canada. The editor constantly receives requests for old numbers of the *Figyelo* containing information about Hungarians and the work done among them. Old and young alike find material for thought and constructive suggestions for action in the *Figyelo* columns. The following series of articles may be recalled: ''History of Canada''; ''Heroes of Calvinism''; ''Development of Presbyterianism in Canada''; ''The Art of the Hungarian People''; ''Relations of the Native and New Canadian'', etc.

When literature is profusely distributed by all kinds of sectarian, and worse, political movements among the people, the Church must maintain all the possible activities that may counteract these dissipating and destructive influences. And we, the Church, its members and ministers, must not fall down in any way. Thus we believe, that even such humble efforts as the *Figyelo* represents, are recognized by God and His people.

There is a helpful, constructive interest shown by members of the Presbyterian Church in Canada in our Hungarian work. The *Figyelo* helped a great deal to arouse that interest. This interest makes one realize even more than ever before the importance of all home missions among the new settlers of Canada, whether they come from the British Isles, or the Continent. There is another aim before the *Figyelo,* that is, cultivating the missionary spirit among the people so that when they will be in a position to do so, they will themselves share in maintaining the mission work of the Church. Fruits of this effort are evident here and there.

When the *Figyelo* was started, a newspaper man prophetically remarked, ''Beware, my friend, Canada is the graveyard of publications.'' The writer told him, that it was ''time to disprove that pessimistic notion.'' Rejoicing in being a part of the great Presbyterian fellowship, the *Figyelo* enters into its ninth volume with confidence.

Chinese Work in Saskatchewan

MRS. H. R. HORNE

SOMETIMES we are led to seek for work. Sometimes the work seeks us; the latter is true in the case of Chinese work in Saskatchewan as carried on under the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

To speak of this work is to do honor to its founder, Mrs. Walter Martin. The work came to her asking to be done, she began it and carried it on until it became too much for one pair of hands.

''The old order changeth giving place to the new.'' So in Chinese work old methods are of the past, and in this province a new way has come into effect. With the passing of the years Chinese homes have been established in many parts of the province, the children attend the public schools, and English is acquired there.

Realizing this, and also the fact of the widely scattered location of many of the Chinese homes, with the consequent isolation and loneliness of the mothers, Mrs. Martin began, whenever opportunity offered, motoring out to visit them, following up her personal contact by sending them copies of the Gospels, Sunday School papers, birthday and Christmas cards. Later, as the work took on more definitely defined lines, the Council Executive was asked to make an annual grant to purchase the necessary literature to carry on.

At the present time, Mrs. S. Farley, who is in charge, sends fortnightly into twenty-eight homes copies of the *Northern Messenger*, chosen because it contains the Sunday School lesson and a variety of helpful articles for the home. Into thirteen of the above twenty-eight homes go also copies of our own Primary illustrated lesson paper, which comes to us as a donation from our Church Board of Sabbath Schools. Five homes receive the Primary paper alone. To fifteen Chinese business men is sent an illustrated card secured from China, on one side of which is the text of the Sunday School lesson in Chinese and on the reverse side in English. Two families formerly resident in Saskatchewan, now in Alberta, also receive this literature.

Since 1925 two of our missionaries have visited the Chinese homes in the Province, Miss Reid, now Mrs. Burkwall, of Canton, and Miss Crockett, now of Pekin, China. Rev. David Smith, Superintendent of Chinese mission work, also visits some of the homes when possible.

In Saskatoon, the home of the W.M.S. Presbyterial President is always open to the Chinese. Mrs. Grant and her daughters have long had a very real interest in their welfare, teaching and helping them in many ways. In Regina, Miss Macarthur, our deaconess-at-large, is a welcome visitor in their homes, while in other centres our W.M.S. women have shown a practical interest in this work within our gates.

There are, however, families isolated from their own countrymen to whom Mrs. Martin's visits were a real help and pleasure. As a Provincial we were hoping it might be made financially possible this year to have Miss Macarthur make a survey of the work.

There is always a certain amount of migration going on among the Chinese, and since Mrs. Martin cannot make her visits as in other days, it seems most necessary that occasionally the ground should be covered, conditions noted and necessary adjustments made in the type of literature being sent into the homes.

That the papers and cards are acceptable and eagerly looked for is abundantly evident. One business man keeps his cards on the wall above his desk in his office, while when our missionaries made their visits they were proudly shown the files of papers and cards, carefully kept and read many times.

This is just one way of sowing the seed, it seems our only way under present conditions. May the soil be prepared by the Holy Spirit, may He water it, and cause it to bring forth in His own good time, an abundant harvest to the Glory of the Lord.

A Word About Legacies

MRS. DANIEL STRACHAN

FROM time to time there comes to the General Treasurer a letter with a sentence running like this: ''Our Auxiliary has been left a Legacy by one of our members, who has lately passed away. Is there anything in the constitution governing what should be done with this? Some of our members would like to use it for our own congregational work. Is that right?''

Letters such as these are always answered with full explanation, giving also the policy of our Women's Missionary Society in relation to these. These letters only reach the Auxiliary concerned, and knowing that there must be others in need of some explanation, I am writing this article, giving as fully as I can, our policy and request in regard to all Legacies.

There are two classes of Legacy. First, the one that is left to the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. At once the General Treasurer is informed, by the Executors, that such a Legacy has been left and in due time it comes in and is deposited in our Legacy account to be used for buildings or equipment of new buildings.

Second, there is the Legacy left to a local Auxiliary by one of its members. That is their property and no one can take it from them. This rule only must be laid down and admits of no argument, that if the money is left to an Auxiliary of the Women's Missionary Society, it can only be spent on the work of that Society. All our members know this and will agree with this. Had the member wished it to be spent for congregational or other purposes, she no doubt would have left her money to the Ladies' Aid or the Church Treasurer.

What then should be done with it? Of course, it can be invested and used to meet the allocation of the Auxiliary, but I am sure none of our loyal women would wish to meet their allocation, meant for living members of an Auxiliary, by using the money left them by a member who, during her life, had striven to meet her share of her allocation, and whose parting gift should be used for something more enduring than part of an allocation. I would say better to fall short of the allocation.

There is nothing in the Constitution of the Women's Missionary Society to govern this situation. That could not be, for as I said before that belongs to the Auxiliary and to them alone. But there is a request from Council born out of a dire need and made after 1925, when our Society found itself without one cent of our former funds from which buildings might be erected. The first one or two buildings that were bought or built after 1925 were paid for out of the General Fund. That soon became impossible as our work grew. Then our Legacy Fund was begun and in it were put all Legacies left to the General Society. The request was also made through the *Tidings* by Council Executive and by letters, etc., by the then Treasurer asking if all Auxiliaries receiving bequests would forward them to the General Treasurer to build up this Fund. It was also intimated that Council Executive would be glad to have the Auxiliary concerned say whether they would like the bequest given to National or Overseas work, and also indicate if any thing in the building extension appealed to them. This seemed a most reasonable request and one which I am proud to say most of our Auxiliaries have complied with.

I ask you where would the money have come for the Hostel in Jhansi, the Nurses' Training Home in Jobat, the Chapel in the Leprosy Colony in Formosa, our Churches in Gonor, East Selkirk, Wanham, the bungalows for our missionaries and many other buildings, if it were not for our Legacy Fund? The fact that we are able to put up these buildings, has been a bright spot in our estimates which, especially the last three or four years, would have made very prosaic reading. And they were made possible by the gifts of those who loved our Society in their life and told us so by these last gifts.

The Legacy Fund is very carefully guarded and only used for new buildings or an addition to a building, equipment for new buildings or a special piece of equipment.

With this explanation, we appeal to all Auxiliaries to be loyal to this request. It is our hope for future work. Remember these are trust funds left to you. Are you making the best use of them?

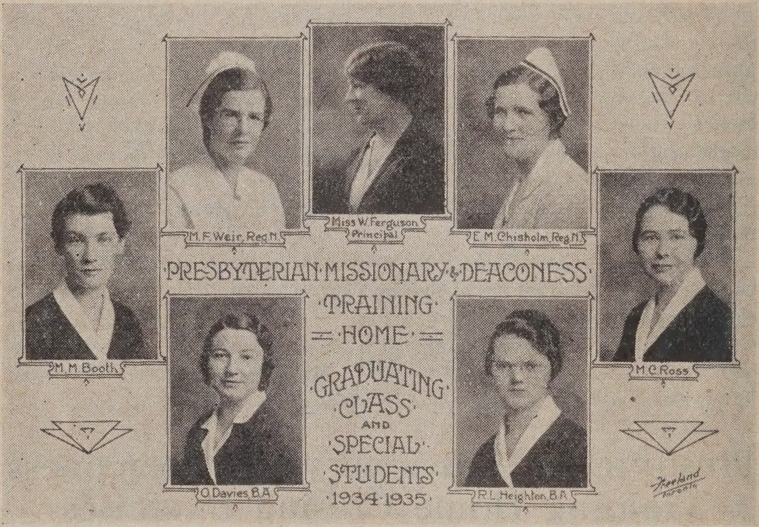
Presbyterian Missionary and Deaconess Training Home Closing Exercises

THE closing exercises of the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home were held, in the beautiful chapel of Knox College, on the evening of April 11th. Led by the choir of Royce Avenue Presbyterian Church, the impressive service was opened by the processional, ''Lord of the Worlds Above.''

Rev. A. R. Skinner, B.A., Moderator of Toronto Presbytery, led in prayer, and Rev. H. Carmichael, Ph.D., gave the Scripture message. The presentation of class certificates and diplomas was made by the Rev. J. S. Shortt, D.D., Moderator of the General Assembly, 1934; those for the Teacher Training Course by Rev. W. M. Kannawin, D.D., and the Scholarships and Proficiency awards by Dr. John Stenhouse, M.A., B.Sc.

The address of the evening was given by Rev. Ross K. Cameron, M.A., who, basing his message on St. Matthew 14: 19, ''Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men,'' emphasized the adventure for service which Christ offered to these men, which they accepted but did not fully understand. ''These young women,'' said Mr. Cameron, in referring to the graduating class, ''are beginning their life's work, they have heard in a measure the voice of Christ saying 'Follow Me,' but only in a life of service do we understand fully these words. May we all, tonight, realize afresh what these words really mean.''

The Rev. H. A. Berlis, retiring Chairman of the Deaconess House Board, presided and in reviewing the work of the year, spoke of several features that were outstanding. One was the publication of the Jubilee Year Book, containing the history of the Training Home, information of studies, and activities carried on there, an outline of the aims and purposes of the institution and also including the regular issue of the Alumni magazine, *The Four Corners.*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''A remarkable inspiration,'' said Mr. Berlis, ''has come to our students through our returned missionaries who were in residence in the Home. Another feature was the conference, held by the Young People's Societies of the Province of Ontario, during the Christmas holidays, when our Home opened its door to a number of young people who were meeting to consider objects of interest to them.''

A decided improvement in the work of teaching was instituted during the past year. The returned missionaries expressed a desire for a study on

Evangelism, and two men gave intensive lecture courses on this subject, Rev. Walter McCree lecturing on the Old Testament, and Rev. H. A. Berlis, on the New Testament. ''The time has come,'' stated Mr. Berlis, ''when some one should be responsible to maintain this course of English Bible Evangelism. At present we are depending on the generous men and women who give their time to lecture for us. It is high time that we have a permanent teacher in the institution for these lectures.''

Mr. Berlis paid tribute to Miss Ferguson, who took the calamity of a broken ankle sustained in January, so calmly, and to the staff and students who so willingly co-operated so that there was no disruption in the running of the Home, because of this unfortunate circumstance. ''Our Church,'' he said, ''is very fortunate in having such a woman as principal. Her wise counsel and Christian grace are so marvelously represented in the influence she has on all who come in contact with her. Her imprint is on every student who has attended the Institution.''

Mr. Berlis expressed appreciation to all those who had been teaching during the past year; to Prof. Bryden and Prof. Morrow of Knox College, who gave special courses to the students; to those lecturers who came in for special occasions, the Rev. J. Wasson, Dr. Kannawin, Prof. Bryden and Miss O. Mary Hill; and to Dr. Stenhouse, who donated prizes and looked after the physical health of those within the Home.

''It is my conviction,'' Mr. Berlis said in closing, ''that in every properly organized parish there ought to be a deaconess, because there are problems among children and women in the home where a deaconess, with her womanly touch, can be of more service than the most highly trained man. My hope is that the day may soon come when generous Presbyterians will spend their money to maintain deaconesses in certain needy congregations. Generous Presbyterians have caught the vision for peoples in the foreign field, but there are crying needs at home too for the upbuilding of the Church.''

The graduates receiving awards and certificates are as follows: Miss Margaret Ross, West Branch, N.S., General Proficiency and Senior Scholarship for highest marks; Miss Mabel M. Booth, Toronto, Ont., General Proficiency; and Miss Ruth L. Heighton, B.A., Vancouver, B.C., General Proficiency.

First year students receiving awards and certificates were: Miss Anne M. Storey, Elmvale, Ont., General Proficiency and Junior Scholarship for highest marks; Miss Grace E. Wood, Rockton, Ont., General Proficiency; Miss Marion E. MacLennan, Charlottetown, P.E.I., prize for Essay on English Translation of the Bible; and Miss Ruby Walker, Lloydminster, Alta.

Special students under appointment by the Women's Missionary Society were: Miss Mildred F. Weir, R.N., Agincourt, Ont., to Formosa; Miss Ruth L. Heighton, B.A., Vancouver, B.C., to Formosa; and Miss Olwen Davies, B.A., Willowdale, Ont., to British Guiana.

Our National Mission Work

WELCOME AND WELFARE AND DEACONESS DEPARTMENT

A MINISTRY of kindness, helpfulness and sympathy — the service rendered by the Welcome and Welfare Secretaries throughout our Church—is one which cannot be tabulated. The wider meaning of this work, born of necessity, in the later years makes it one very effective means of supplementing the work of the Church.

Our present staff of deaconesses numbers 14. No matter where they are located or what they are called upon to do, their work is characterized by the same high standard of loyalty and self-forgetfulness. Many letters have been received from individuals and from Presbyteries bearing the testimony to the great service given by these young women, not only in strengthening our Church, but in laying foundations for future building. Some are engaged in a particular type of work.

Miss Munro at Montreal is our only port worker, as the work at Quebec was discontinued after the death of Miss Scott. During the year 1,584 names were forwarded to the churches concerned. Much encouragement has been derived from helping those who are strangers, particularly those who do not speak our tongue. The Overseas Girls' Club having passed its eighth milestone continues in enthusiasm and usefulness.

Miss Murray, now in her twenty-first year of hospital visiting in Toronto, finds her work increasing and intensified. Old and new patients alike welcome her as one who cares, and in her great heart of pity she sympathizes with them all. To all who have put into Miss Murray's hands the material things to bring cheer to her patients she would express sincere thanks.

Mrs. Fesenko is our worker among the Ukrainians, of whom it is estimated there are 14,000 in Toronto, most of them churchless, and many influenced by atheistic propaganda. Visiting the sick, interpreting, helping those in difficulty is changing a hostile attitude to one of friendliness.

The Hungarian people of Toronto are in the care of Mrs. Steinmetz. Besides the usual congregational work, Mrs. Steinmetz, because her life becomes related to people by nationality, is called upon to befriend many in difficulties.

Mrs. Kovacs says, "It was with a heavy heart, in obedience to the Church's call we left Hamilton in April to journey to Bekevar, the pioneer Hungarian Presbyterian congregation in Saskatchewan." The report at the end of the year shows, Sunday Schools, Young People's

Society, Women's Missionary Society and a Ladies' Aid organized—a good account of stewardship.

Some of our deaconesses find their work in newer sections of the large cities. Miss Hugill, Ottawa, reports a successful year. Miss Allan, Hamilton, carries on her work already begun and since November has done intensive visiting in the east end of the city with a view to enlisting and strengthening Church connections. Miss Ross, Saskatoon, had no idle time when she made 700 visits to homes and 40 to hospitals, taking charge of Pleasant Hill Sunday School, and sharing in the work of St. Andrew's Church. Miss Macarthur, Regina, is still the moving spirit in work at East View and she has shared largely in the relief work done in Regina. Miss Roberta Smith, appointed to Vancouver in March, has been working in two mission churches under a student minister, doing visiting, organizing groups and assisting in Sunday School.

During the winter Miss Hazel MacDonald's work was confined to Prince Albert but when the spring came she drove 170 miles to the Carragana district. Miss MacDonald's capacity for leadership found plenty of scope in arranging groups for girls, young people and women's gatherings. Perhaps it was this capacity which moved Council Executive to transfer her to Winnipeg in November to take over Miss Todd's work. Urgent appeals had come from Brownvale, Alberta, for a deaconess, and Miss Todd was asked to become a pioneer deaconess. She has organized a Mission Band in each of four stations and a Girls' Group in each of three. Christmas was celebrated and 200 presents distributed. One wonders how Miss Matthews, Red Deer, overtakes all the work in her large territory. Using a car she averages 1,000 miles a month.

Miss Grigor, in Wanham, Alberta, is neighbor to Miss Todd. The crowning joy in her year was the opening and dedication of Knox Church in Wanham, October 14th. ''Now we have more of the spirit of reverence and can teach the children that it is God's house.'' She ministers to three other points — Heart Valley, Westvale and Prestville. At each there is a Sunday School and much attention is given to Scripture memorizing. In one Sunday School 15 full certificates have been given for the Presbyterian memory course. The four Mission Bands had a rally in April with 100 children and parents present. Each Band gave a pageant or sang hymns. Here as elsewhere the work of the Deaconess was greatly assisted by the needed supplies sent in by interested friends. To all these go the thanks of a grateful people.

PRESBYTERIAN RESIDENCES

VEGREVILLE, ALTA.—Miss Gibson, Matron of the Boys' Residence, reports 11 boys enrolled from January to June. In July the Department of Welfare for Neglected Children sent two boys, and in October sent two others, so that by December there were 16 boys in residence. It may be interesting to remind you, that the boys must each keep his room clean and tidy, and make his own bed. During the summer the boys help with the planting and weeding of the garden, then in the fall assist in harvesting the crop of potatoes.

In the Girls' Residence, under the supervision of Miss McKee there are 13 girls, all doing well at school. Miss McKee conducts worship morning and evening. A number of the girls received certificates for Primary and Shorter Catechism. One girl memorized the whole of the Larger Catechism, for which Miss McKee presented her with a Bible. Three of the girls sing in the church choir.

The Christmas tree proved a great treat, as some of the girls had never before seen one. On both Christmas and New Year's Day, Miss McKee and her family of girls went over to the Boys' Residence and they had their dinner all together.

During the summer Miss Miller canned in the neighborhood of 700 quarts of fruit and vegetables, besides doing most of the cooking for both residences.

Miss Gibson had hoped to be able to return to the Treasurer, the same amount of money that had been sent for maintenance. In this she was disappointed, but did not fall very short of her objective, as she received $1,335.00 and returned $1,162.68. Miss Gibson expressed sincere thanks for the bales received from the Supply Department, which contain so many useful articles.

Saskatoon, Sask.—1934 completed a most successful year's work, under the superintendency of Miss Geddes. Twelve students and 14 business women were in residence. One of the university students, who had been three years in residence, graduated with honors in Economics and Mathematics. The Blue Banner Class, taught each Sunday afternoon by Miss Geddes, followed the International Sunday School lessons last year, taking India for mission study. This year they are studying the women of the Bible, and taking Japan for mission study.

A most successful summer school was held in the Residence early in July, there being a record attendance of about 90. Great credit is due Miss Geddes for her excellent management in caring for the material wants of these young people.

During the year repairs were made to the garages and store house. Two of the garages were extended and new roofs put on. A new roof was put on one side of the store house, new floors laid, and the interior whitewashed. This made a camp for nine boys in Summer School week, and they enjoyed it better than if they had been in the Residence.

So successful were the finances that the year closed with a balance in the bank of $436.22.

Prince Albert, Sask.—Conditions not having improved in this district, the number of students in residence remains small, there being only 5 students, who attend collegiate, and 2 business girls. Today most students are enabled to take grades 9 and 10 in the local schools. This no doubt has a bearing upon the attendance in the Residences.

Miss Macdonald is a perfect wizard in finance, and even with so small a revenue has been able to close the year with a substantial bank balance.

New Liskeard, Ont.—Another successful year has just been closed. From January to June there was an enrollment of 16 pupils. From September to December there were 14. The decrease was accounted for by one boy leaving to take a position, and one of the girls, Inez Adams, leaving to take up training, as a child's nurse, in Toronto Hospital for Sick Children. One is pleased to hear that Inez has successfully passed her examinations, coming first in her class. All the students did well in their examinations, one boy making the highest marks in the whole school, and one of the girls standing third in fifth form.

Miss Robertson says that many happy evenings were spent in a social time, and Sunday evenings, singing hymns. The Christmas entertainment was much enjoyed and the gifts received greatly appreciated. In the garden they raised enough of most vegetables to do them for the season.

Huntingdon, Que.—Mrs. Gouldthorpe reports that the year 1934-35 has not been so successful in regard to numbers, as there were only 17 students in 1934 and 15 registered in 1935. In the final examination in June all passed with one exception. The students attend worship regularly every Sabbath, and enter into all the church activities, the girls take an active part in the C.G.I.T. During summer holidays the Residence was repainted, which greatly improved its appearance. The local paper commented upon the building looking the finest of any in town. A jolly time was enjoyed at the Christmas festivities, when every one in the Residence received gifts from the tree. The Superintendent expresses thanks and appreciation to the Montreal and Quebec Presbyterials who, through the Supply Department, made this possible.

HOSPITALS

IT is cheering to report, as another year's work is completed, decidedly improved conditions in our hospitals. The number of patients has increased so that in the ''Hugh Waddell'' Memorial Hospital, in Canora an extra permanent nurse has been appointed for 1935; while at the ''Rolland M. Boswell'' Hospital in Vegreville, they have required the services of a relief nurse so frequently, that the Superintendent is asking that another nurse be added to their staff. The financial situation has also improved, permitting Vegreville and South Porcupine to make substantial donations to the general fund of the Society.

The "Rolland M. Boswell" Hospital, Vegreville, Alta.—Miss A. L. McPherson, Superintendent, reports that during 1934 there were 378 patients treated, an increase over last year of 100 patients, 206 cases were medical, 104 surgical and 68 obstetrical. Collections improved, payments being made on many old accounts. Produce, meat and wood were accepted, when money was not available.

Several improvements were made in the hospital and nurses' home. In the operating room a large window was put in the side of the room, to give better lighting than had been given by the sky-light and has proved a benefit. A new floor was laid in the nurses' home, the "Hospital Aid" paying for the material, and the janitor doing the work. The underground iron water piles had to be replaced by copper ones, at a cost of $50.00.

Again this year the "Hospital Aid" completely refurnished another private ward, as well as giving many other gifts, and their annual shower of canned fruit. For all these generous gifts, and for the loyalty and support of these splendid women, Miss McPherson expresses her sincerest thanks and appreciation. The usual welcome bales from different Presbyterials were received with thanks, and enabled the Superintendent to help needy mothers and other patients.

The "Hugh Waddell" Memorial Hospital, Canora, Sask.—Miss M. W. Cuddy, Superintendent, reports that during 1934 there were 779 patients admitted, an increase over last year of 294 patients. In February, with Council Executive's approval, a flat rate for maternity cases was given, which enabled many of the women to avail themselves of hospital care. There were 83 maternity cases, as compared with 49 last year. Operations for the year totalled 332; of these 228 had general anæsthetics, the balance being local or spinal anæsthesia.

Considerable repairs were made from time to time, this year, as none, or very little had been done the past two or three years. The "Hospital Aid" placed three new mattresses in the maternity department, and presented a new operating room table, of the latest model, costing nearly $600.00. An electric water sterilizer, two complete new hospital beds were purchased from donations given, by various small organizations. To all these organizations, as well as to W.M.S. Societies, Miss Cuddy expresses her thanks and appreciation, for the constant and loyal support through another year of work. Miss Powell, staff nurse, and one of the ward helpers left at the end of the year to be married.

The "Presbyterian Hospital" South Porcupine, Ont.—Miss M. B. Wenger, Superintendent, reports that during 1934 there were 352 patients treated, the average monthly admissions being 27.75. Operations performed were 174, of which 78 were major and 96 minor. There were 90 medical cases, 23 accident and 32 maternity. Financially the year 1934 was a record year, as the sum of $2,500.00 was sent to the Treasurer, for the general fund of the Society, and a comfortable balance was left in the current account to carry on with. The only repair work undertaken was the painting of the halls, men's ward, sun porches, operating room, cabinets and furniture.

Miss Wenger extends thanks, as does also the Council Executive, to the McIntyre Mines Limited, through Mr. R. J. Ennis, for the donation of a Sun Arc Lamp, which is of great value in treating chest conditions. The South Porcupine Troop Boy Scouts and Wolf Cubs were again active in making up supplies. Thanks to the many bales received from the Presbyterials Miss Wenger was able to assist many poor families at the Christmas season, and to provide needy mothers with layettes.

CHINESE IN CANADA

VICTORIA.—Miss Scott, in presenting the work done by Miss Lee and herself, says that, ''1934 has been a very happy, encouraging year.'' The kindergarten had an enrollment of 42, until June, when 17 passed into the public schools, and in September, 15 new ones enrolled. Besides singing in English, the children are learning Chinese hymns and songs. Four times a week classes for the women, in English, are held and Miss Lee helps the women to read the Scriptures in Chinese. Miss Scott gives music lessons to 14 pupils. They hold a monthly recital and are studying the lives of the great masters. The choir has improved very much, under Mr. Pearson. The W.M.S. of 15 members reached their allocation of $50.00 and provided an outfit for an Indian boy. The Mission Band of 31 members, attended 2 rallies and studied ''Flowers in Far Fields''. The C.G.I.T. Group, ''The Shining Lights'', has a membership of 12, is affiliated with the W.M.S., and always has a mission study period. ''If I Lived in India'' was much enjoyed. The Y.P.S. has made great progress in the conducting of meetings and self government. The Sunday School has an enrollment of 119.

Vancouver.—Mrs. Louie reports a remarkable year. She has made 358 calls, and also went to the prison with women who had husbands or sons there. Miss Yeandle reports an enrollment of 92, in the kindergarten. The Misses Ruth Heighton and Mary Wong gave great help to the summer school in July, and Rev. R. H. Yeung, and Rev. D. A. Smith were special speakers. Six of the girls attended a camp at Keats Island. The day the girls took charge of camp, a Chinese girl was physical director, another led the singing and two others had charge of the hand-work. The Mission Band has entered a memory contest on the Koreans in Japan. Miss D. Smith of New Westminster helps with the Y.P.S.

Saskatchewan.—Since Mrs. Martin's removal to the coast, Mrs.

Farley has been doing what she could in sending out literature, etc. No visiting was done, on account of lack of funds.

Toronto.—Miss Armstrong, Miss Lily Yeung and Miss Lambert had a very encouraging year. The Sunday class, conducted by Mrs. Ma, has an attendance of 12. Three women have been baptized and 5 have become members of Knox Church. 150 visits have been made. Three layettes from St. Andrew's Church and one from Rosedale Church were much appreciated. The kindergarten has 30 on the roll and the Vacation School had a high average attendance. There are 49 members in the Mission Band. They sent $4.00 to the Presbyterial Treasurer. The Boy Scouts, under Mr. G. Haines, of Chalmers Church, are doing splendid work, and there is also a troop of Cubs. The C.G.I.T. of 15 girls is under the leadership of Miss Jean MacMurchy. Jessie Jang and Katie Wong enjoyed a pleasant week, as guests, at a girls' camp. Mrs. P. Quan takes charge of the Friday afternoon meetings and in November these women held a very successful bazaar. Mrs. Gilbert and Miss Yeung have given music lessons to 15 pupils. The Y.P.S. of 25 members, have the use of St. Andrew's Church gymnasium for basket-ball and badminton. The usual Christmas festival was held at Cooke's Church.

Brockville.—Miss Davies made visits to Kingston, Gananoque, Smith's Falls, Perth, Carleton Place, Morrisburg, Cornwall and Prescott and attended the Brockville Presbyterial at Kemptville. Dorothy Hong, with 5 other girls, received their Bibles and diplomas for repeating the Shorter Catechism, the books being the gift of Mrs. Comstock. Miss Davies has held missionary meetings, with slides, and continues to do her work so capably, despite ill health and household cares.

Ottawa.—Miss Reid reports a good year. Ten of the children sang at the November Mission Band rally and one little girl sang ''Listen to the Voice of Jesus'', at the Presbyterial. In August, a bright boy of eight was drowned. After the burial service the father said, ''He cannot come to us, but we can all go to him, and be with Jesus.'' The lad had attended Sunday School 41 Sundays out of 42, and his prize, a beautiful Bible, was given to his parents ''in memoriam''.

Windsor.—Miss Melrose is holding meetings and giving religious instruction to white women married to Chinese men, and we have been able to help, by supplying literature.

Montreal.—Miss Dickson reports the number of Chinese women in Montreal as 46. The usual meetings have been held for Chinese and Canadian women. The homes have been visited, as often as time and strength permitted, and many calls responded to when women and children needed help. The kindergarten has an enrollment of 34, with an ever increasing number of Eurasian children. Seven out of 8 children, entering public school, went into the second grade. Miss M.

Johnston, our substitute teacher, was married in November. Ten children are being given music lessons, the four senior ones being taught by Mrs. Trill. The June closing and Christmas festival were the usual large, enthusiastic gatherings.

The greatest satisfaction in the year's work has been the formation of the ''Light Bearers'' Mission Band, with a membership of 26, under the leadership of Miss G. Aiken, assisted by Miss Hay, Miss Abbott, Miss E. Lee (Chinese) and Mrs. Miller, Solomon Leung taking charge of the boys. They have studied India and sent $2.50 to the Presbyterial Treasurer. Miss Dickson addressed many meetings and visited Ottawa, Aylmer, Toronto, Windsor, Leamington, Chatham, London, Ingersoll, Brantford and Hamilton.

INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

LATE in the year a forward step in Indian work was taken when representatives of all denominations in Canada, who administer schools for original Canadians, gathered in Ottawa to consult regarding common problems, and to wait upon the Premier about them. Representatives of Anglican, Presbyterian and United Churches, and also from the Roman Catholic Church, were in the deputation which was most cordially and courteously received. The first conference with representatives of the Churches was held on invitation of the Department of Indian Affairs in 1911. Out of this came a recognization of the principle that the Churches would conduct the schools, and the Department of Indian Affairs would finance them by means of per capita grants.

The deputation unanimously reaffirmed their conviction that, while boarding schools were far from perfect, that, after trying day and improved day schools, ''the residential school as at present conducted is undoubtedly the best instrument so far devised for the development of Indian youth.'' Also, costs of other institutions in Canada educating white children had been investigated, and it was found that the per capita cost ranged from $400 to $700, while the average grant per child to the Churches is at present about $165 per year, this again having been reduced by 15 per cent.

This cut has been most serious in its effect. Strict economy has been at all times required to finance, and now with lessened grant since January, 1932, stocks of food, bedding, linen, agricultural implements, etc., are seriously depleted, and deficits are mounting up. The Premier promised a restoration of the 10 per cent reduction from April 1st, 1935.

Arrangements were also made for a permanent co-operating committee with ''at least one member from each unit,'' ''to meet periodically to discuss common problems involved in our relationships with the Government through this co-operative effort for the education of Indian children.''

This is a most important and far reaching step and should prove a great help to the various administering bodies.

Mistawasis, Saskatchewan.—Improved Day School. Rev. W. W. Moore, B.A., has charge of both Mission and Mission School. The women and girls of the congregation raised money to paint the Church, a big undertaking for them, but they also sent $10 to the W.M.S. treasury. Twenty are on the school roll, with an average attendance of 14. The noon lunch is prepared under the supervision of the teacher's mother, Mrs. J. W. Moore. This hot lunch means a great deal to the welfare of the pupils. Fifteen children also are at Birtle Residential School where they are making progress physically, mentally and spiritually. The Christmas entertainment was a high spot of the year. The gifts sent in the bales meant a great deal ''and the warm underwear, stockings, mitts and wool scarfs were so welcome, all your kindness, and your sacrifice in time as well, has brought much help as well as happiness,'' says Mr. Moore, regarding the supplies received from faithful women. Mr. Moore serves also two preaching points among the white folk.

''Cecilia Jeffrey'', Kenora, Ont.—135 were on the roll at the close of the year, with an average attendance of 131.28. This has meant much recruiting by Mr. Byers, as 24 were discharged. The health in general has been good except during the epidemic of measles which swept in from the reserves in the autumn and included 2 of the staff and the majority of the children in its ravages, necessitating another nurse being secured temporarily. The devotion of staff members at this trying time is worthy of note.

Financing has taken a great deal of time and thought. To save the fuel bill, Mr. Byers purchased for $75 standing timber, and has cut 200 cords. The Government's attention was drawn by the Secretary to their report *re* the boilers and heating plant and a special night watchman has been placed on duty from December 1st, to March 31st, at the Government's expense. They have added $836 worth of equipment also during the year. The farming has been bettered by $1,500, Mr. Byers reports.

Chief Kesick, one of the first pupils in the school, died during the year. He was always a good friend, and interested, and his children were in residence. Our sympathy is extended to his family, and also to the families of two of the girls who died during the year.

Birtle, Man.—Some changes of staff have taken place. Miss W. Windrum, our faithful nurse, Miss Thirtle, so long in charge of food preparation, both left to care for aged parents. Mrs. Detweiler is making good as nurse and Mrs. Dunn, wife of the engineer, as cook matron. Mr. Shaw, the stockman, found Manitoba winters too trying, and has been replaced by Mr. Wm. Stone.

Both staff and children have grown to like Mr. and Mrs. Lockhart, who have had a full school of 115. Measles and chicken-pox caused a quarantine situation. ''In all work we have the pleasant and unpleasant but my joy in the work has outweighed any annoyances I have experienced,'' says Mr. Lockhart.

The old school was torn down and materials used for buildings for farm purposes. Fuel costs were nil, as in breaking and clearing land for farming, enough wood was cut for use. Twenty pigs and 40 sheep were raised and used for food. A water softener, given by the Government, has added to efficiency of water system, boilers and laundry.

In all work with Indian children, so lovable, yet at times so trying, the early environment and habits of living must never be forgotten. The restraint and regularity of school life is so different from home conditions where time is not a consideration that it is a wonder that more do not rebel. Love and patience work wonders and Christian ideals are making their way into the hearts of these boys and girls. Discipline is always a problem.

Tribute must be paid to our faithful Principals and staffs who in season and out of season, unceasingly give of their best to this work. Mention should also be made of Church and Government officials who are always ready to give counsel and help.

SUPPLIES

ALLOCATIONS.—The first step in the year's work is the preparation of the supply allocations for the six Provincial Societies. These were prepared from the lists of requirements received from the various departments of National Missions and forwarded to the Provincial Supply Secretaries in the fall of 1933 so that Auxiliaries and other branches would receive their allocations in time to prepare their supplies during the winter months.

Reports.—We realize that it is no easy task to present an adequate conception of the work as indicated in the reports of our six Provincial Supply Secretaries. It is quite evident that our members in Auxiliaries, Young Women's Auxiliaries, Girls' Groups and Mission Bands have not become weary in this willing service, often undertaken under diffiiculties. A careful study of the reports and vouchers indicates that our members have been loyal to Supply allocations.

Summary.—(1) Our hospitals at South Porcupine, Ont., Canora, Sask., and Vegreville, Alta., have received not only the hospital supplies required, but a quantity of clothing and quilts which enabled the superintendents to assist needy patients. Scrap books, toys and dolls are acceptable for the entertainment of small convalescent patients. Estimated value of supplies $1,193.23.

(2) Six Residences—Huntingdon, Que., New Liskeard, Ont., Prince Albert and Saskatoon, Sask., and 2 at Vegreville, Alta., have been provided with linen and bedding and in two instances, clothing for the children. Estimated value, $872.54.

(3) Indian Schools. These supplies included outfits for 284 children in attendance at ''Cecilia Jeffrey'' School, Kenora, Ont., Birtle, Man., and Mistawasis, Sask. Estimated value, $9,066.88, plus $1,259.00 for boots.

(4) Deaconess department. Our fourteen deaconesses at various points between Quebec and Vancouver were provided with many bales of clothing—new and used—quilts and Christmas gifts, giving them the opportunity of ministering to the comfort of many needy ones. These physical ministrations often open the way to minister to spiritual needs. Estimated value, $2,567.37.

(5) Chinese in Canada. The Chinese women and children who attend the various classes superintended by our workers in Montreal, Brockville, Toronto, Vancouver and Victoria, were made happy by the gifts provided at Christmas. Estimated value, $482.36.

(6) Mission Fields and Indian Reserves. Bales of quilts and clothing — used and new — and Christmas gifts were shipped to 33 mission fields and 5 Indian Reserves in Canada. The addresses of these were received from the Synodical missionaries. Mission field bales (including some for Western Relief) are valued at $7,508.16. Indian Reserve bales are valued at $1,542.96.

Total value of supplies is estimated at $25,446.73, plus $1,259.00 cash for boots. Freight charges, $277.15.

(7) Western Relief. Early in the fall an appeal for clothing for Western Relief was forwarded to Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia. Shipments were made from Presbyterial centres and congregations to Mrs. H. R. Horne, Regina, Sask., the representative of our Church on the Voluntary Rural Relief Committee. The response was most generous in view of the fact that local calls for clothing were so numerous. 1,050 families received assistance from the ten and a half tons of clothing shipped to Regina.

We appreciate the courtesy of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways in granting free transportation on these Western Relief bales.

Special Gifts.—A victrola and records have been provided for Okanais Indian Reserve. Several parcels of clothing and Christmas gifts were donated by a women's Bible class. An organ has been loaned for use at Lockport, Man., where Sunday School work has been established.

Appreciation.—Many letters of appreciation have come from the superintendents of our institutions, from deaconesses and Chinese workers, from Mission fields and Indian Reserves.

Freight on Indian School Supplies.—We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of a cheque for $149.16 from the Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa. This is the amount paid for freight on supplies sent to Indian Schools in Canada.

Expenditures from Supply Estimate.—Hospitals $172.81, Residences $63.25, Indian Schools $918.57, Deaconess Department $37.78. Total $1,192.41.

TO SOOTHE HIS HURTS

These bandages, these dressings, Lord, today,
And these supplies for sick ones far away,
We bring and offer Thee! Oh, may they please
Thee, Christ, when fashioned for "the least of these!"

We think of Thee and Thy riven side,
Thy pierced hands stained with their crimson tide.
Oh, that we might have gently, meekly bound
Thine every agonizing hurt and dreadful wound!

But Thou hast said, when we Thy brethren see
And do kind deeds, Thou countest them for Thee.
So speed these gifts, dear Lord, and as we pray
May we be conscious we have soothed Thy hurts this day!

—*Alice M. Marshall.*

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

IN this month the winter activities are as a rule completed, and leaders begin planning summer programmes. Hikes, discussions and meetings out of doors lend scope for pleasing variations. Mother's Day will be featured in May, and service outlines may be secured with appropriate songs and hymns.

MOTHER'S DAY SERVICE is suitable for beginners or a primary department, price 15c.

AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST by Mildred Cable and F. French, is the candid description by two missionaries of the whole process of becoming a missionary, even to an outline on the problems of adjustment on the field. Every young person should read it. Paper 35c., cloth $1.00.

IS THE MISSIONARY IDEA VALID IN THE MODERN WORLD? This is a discussion outline for adults, which should not only stimulate interest in missions, give ideas for programme discussion, but could be used to interest other groups in missions. Every leader would find some part of it useful. Price 35c.

BOOKS BY DR. AND MRS. GOFORTH:

By My Spirit, by Dr. Goforth, $1.25.
How I Know God Answers Prayer, by Mrs. Goforth, $1.75.
Miracle Lives in China, by Dr. Goforth, $1.25.
Blind Chang, a story by Mrs. Goforth, 25c. in paper.

MY UTMOST FOR HIS HIGHEST: a new day book of inspirational reading based on scriptural texts, and selected from lectures given at Clapham Bible Training College by Osward Chambers. The articles are simple, beautiful, and contain messages which are very uplifting. $1.25.

Prayer

Lord, while for all mankind we pray,
Of every clime and coast,
O hear us for our native land,
The land we love the most.

O THOU strong Father of all nations, we humbly beseech Thee for the safety, honor and welfare of our Sovereign. Guide him and all those to whom Thou hast committed the government of our nation and empire, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety may be established among us for all generations. Give us all, O Father, an understanding of the needs of this our land. Awaken us to the misery of the slums, the despair in the lives of many of our fellow-citizens. May we be stirred by the wan faces of little children, the deep and shameful wrongs waiting to be put to right. Give us also a vision of our land, as Thou wouldst have it be, and as Thou by Thy love in the hearts of Thy servants canst remake it.

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed, kindle, we pray Thee, in the hearts of all men the true love of peace, and guide with Thy pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that Thy kingdom may grow till all the earth is filled with the knowledge of Thy love.

We pray for the Enlarged Meeting of the Council Executive of our Women's Missionary Society. We pray Thee to make us worthy to maintain and strengthen all that is good in our traditions, and may the spirit of loyalty and devotion bind us all more closely together. Grant that all who go out to be witnesses for Christ may reflect His spirit of self-sacrifice and humble service, and that the young Churches of other lands may grow up to a fuller stature through our help and fellowship, so that East and West, made one in Christ, may together labor for the bringing in of Thy Kingdom on earth, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

YOUNG WOMEN

PROGRAMME SUGGESTIONS

MRS. RALSTON, acting Young Women's Secretary of Saskatchewan Provincial, sends us the following good suggestions:

''The year's programme of one Young Women's Auxiliary included, among others, the following topics, 'Our Task Abroad', 'Eastern Religions', 'What Christianity Offers to Those in Darkness', 'India's Customs' and 'Girls and Women of India'. The last topic was made especially interesting by three members taking the parts of a visitor, missionary and host in the home of a Christian Bhil. This Auxiliary also held a very unique meeting which took the form of a written examination. Time tables and examination papers based on the year's work were passed around. The usual routine of examinations was faithfully followed. Certificates were awarded to successful candidates and a diploma presented to the one with the highest standing.

Let Us Advance

In tabulating the work of the Young Women's Department for 1934, we note increases in membership, organizations, new Junior Members, Home Helpers contributions and cash for new supplies. Again we must report a decrease in givings. We hope every organization is planning to really advance during 1935. It is easy to hold our own or go backward but it takes interest, loyalty, devotion, perseverance and faith to advance.

We must have a vision before we can begin to accomplish things. If every member of each organization has the vision of what our offerings accomplish, our treasuries will be filled to overflowing. Mothers and babies needing help will have the services of the Great Physician; the eager school girls will be given the opportunity of learning of the Great Teacher; the missionaries on their fields will be enabled to extend their work; the young people offering their lives to carry the message of the Christ will be accepted and sent out.

Let us remember that we are not only fellow workers with one another, but workers together with God. As we realize this our efforts take on a new significance and we are encouraged to go forward with fresh hope to noble achievements.

Every Province reports an increase in some Department, as follows:

Alberta—organizations, membership.

British Columbia—organizations, membership, new supplies.

Manitoba—new supplies, Thank-offerings, contributions.

Ontario—organizations, membership, new Life Members, new Junior Members, Home Helpers contributions, cash for new supplies, Thank-offerings.

Quebec—organizations, membership, new Life Members, new supplies, *Glad Tidings,* contributions.

Saskatchewan—new Life Members.

—*Fergie D. Holman.*

GIRLS AND LEADERS

A typical C.G.I.T. Group, Campbellton, N.B.

OUR TEEN AGE FAMILY

ALREADY the season for group activities is drawing to a close, and this month will find many of you completing your group work. Just as in school we pause at the end of the year to discover the many things that we have learned, so now it is interesting to take stock of our " 'teen age family," and find out how many groups have carried on in 1934-35.

Nearly every Province has this year had an increase in groups . Here are the places where our large family — over 455 groups — lives: Maritime Provinces, 37; Quebec, 45; Ontario, 266; Manitoba, 22; Saskatchewan, 20; Alberta, 35; British Columbia, 31. In nearly all the groups there are ten members, and so nearly 4,550 girls belong to our 'teen age family.

The New Members

This year, into our family circle have come many new members — more than I can name. Many places have begun girls' work for the first time in some years — and of course I cannot begin to tell you of the many leaders and girls who have joined us. Here are a few of the places where there are new organizations:—

Maritime Provinces.—Springville, N.S.

Quebec.—Montreal (Kensington, Ephraim Scott).

Ontario.—Arnprior; Fergus; Guelph (St. Andrew's, St. Paul's); Kitchener; Burk's Falls; Huntsville; Sault Ste. Marie (St. Paul's); Fort Frances; Hamilton (St. Paul's); Forest; Port Credit; Port Carling; Richmond Hill; St. Thomas (Knox); Toronto (Knox, Emmanuel, Parkdale).

Manitoba.—Transcona; Gonor; East Selkirk.

Saskatchewan.—Moose Jaw (Knox); Swift Current.

Alberta.—Lousana; Three Hills; Carstairs; Lethbridge.

British Columbia.—Penticton; New Westminster (Jubilee); Vancouver (St. Columba, Richmond, West Point Grey).

If your group is new, and not mentioned in this list, won't you write and tell me about it?

Our New Mother

Not only has our family new members this year, but it has also acquired a new mother — the Girls' Organizations' Secretary on the Council Executive, Mrs. John Kelman. To those of us who have camped with her she is known as ''Heather'', and that camp name suits her, with her lovely Scotch voice and brown eyes. She is the mother of a large family and she has had many girls' groups, has known the joys of being a camp director, and understands girls and leaders and their many difficulties. So we welcome our new mother, in the hope that she will stay with us for many years to come. *—O.M.H.*

MISSION BANDS

Leaders' Corner

REBUILDING THE WALLS

HOW we welcomed our ''Leaders' Corner'', never dreaming we would be asked to write a word about Mission Band work as Presbyterial Secretary. Looking back over seven years we think what a God-given opportunity was ours in 1926 when in our W.M.S. magazine we were told to ''Rebuild the Walls.'' It was like a battle cry and however inexperienced we were, one and all hastened to repair the breaches, accepting duties that we would think twice about accepting now. After accepting Mission Band work, our only experience being five years' work as assistant to a consecrated, devoted Leader, we found 9 Bands remaining in our Presbyterial, with a possibility of organizing or re-organizing 16. Then the joy of finding after seven years that we were back to the strength previous to 1926, with 34 Bands, though membership was rather lower.

Taking Neh. O: 17, 18 as an inspiration we found much practical work had to be done with one hand but surely the Sword of the Spirit was ours for the taking. As Secretary we soon realized that our work is a spiritual one, and not merely getting results for our reports. Following closely our "A B C of Mission Band Work"* and keeping ever before us that our Society was 100 per cent missionary, we recognized the importance of having the co-operation of minister and Sunday School superintendent in organizing new Bands. Given that, we go in and possess the land. Our work is the most important of our W.M.S. activities in that we have the spiritual care of these children in a way that even the Sunday School cannot attain. To bring these dear children to a knowledge of Christ as their personal Saviour, train them in missionary work, keep them attached and interested until, of their own accord they recognize the importance of our Church and become valuable members, in due time filling our places, surely this is work of supreme importance. Already a goodly number of our members have gone out to India and China as missionaries and they have testified that their first impression of missionary work came through the Mission Band. Still more are engaged in Church work and some have taken courses at the Vancouver Bible School and other schools and are doing voluntary missionary work at home and in their local churches.

The secret of successful Mission Band work lies primarily in the choice of consecrated Leaders with hearts aflame with missionary zeal, which after all means bringing souls to Christ.

In the Westminster Presbyterial three different lines were followed, giving first place to Scripture memorization to lay the foundation of our faith. With minds stored with God's word, ultimate fruit must result for God has said, "My word shall *not* return unto me void but it shall accomplish that which I please concerning it." Memorizing of the catechism has been the means of teaching the children the fundamental doctrines of our beloved Presbyterian Church; and then missionary intelligence, which fosters interest in our missionaries and induces prayer and support for them. This can be introduced through our work meeting and also by our games. These lines are laid down in our yearly Mission Band Banner Contest held every year in April just previous to our Rally. This contest has been of inestimable value. A committee is appointed annually to prepare the schedule. In our meetings worship or devotional periods should have first place, other things follow as a result of our aim. While we cannot estimate success by dollars and cents any more than we can tabulate results by numbers of members, the children should be led by the Leader into systematic giving even to the point of sacrifice, not ordered to contribute, but educated up to privilege of giving. One Leader made a stipulation one year that all money in mite boxes had to be gained by individual effort or by sacrifice. When the mite boxes were opened the joy of sacrifice was immediately apparent, never were the boxes laden so heavily. Yet these children were in a country district with tremendous disadvantages.

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* This has now been replaced by a new leaflet, "Mission Band Leader's Leaflet".

We would like to say a word about our Mission Band Leaders' Council, organized two years ago. This has fostered a fellowship among Leaders which has been most helpful. After all a Leader's job is a solitary one and discouragements meet her at every turn, but with a monthly meeting where problems are discussed and where demonstrations of work are staged or games tried out, which aim to develop interest in missionary enterprise, the Leader finds encouragement and help. Last meeting was in charge of the Chinese workers and we had charades in which Miss Simpson's and Miss Pelton's work was introduced. Most valuable to any Secretary is the personal touch with her Leaders. This involves constant visiting of Bands or writing letters but the Secretary finds help and inspiration and gathers new ideas, which she can pass on to other Bands.

And so we pass on remembering the injunction ''Paul may plant, Apollos water, but God alone can give the increase.''

(Mrs. Angus) Amelia G. Mackenzie, Mission Band
Secretary, Westminster Presbyterial, B.C., 1926–1933.

Dust Will Keep, But Violets Won't

The spring is here — housecleaning time
Descends upon the land;
And busy housewives rush about,
A nervous, worried band,
For with the dawn of springtime fair
They fain must fight the foe,
And scores of microbes, tons of dust
Into oblivion go.

The scent of flowers is in the air,
But what reck they of this?
The birds are singing everywhere,
All this delight they miss;
For, don't you know, housecleaning time
Has come upon the land,
And flats must be turned upside down,
And men won't understand.

O sister mine, hold on a pace
In your dreadnaught campaign;
A few weeks more, the selfsame place
Will show more dust again;
Just take a sniff of springtime air
And let the cleaning wait;
For ''dust will keep, but violets won't'',
As some find out too late.

—*Selected.*

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. J. M. MOODIE, 2719, 14TH ST. W., CALGARY, PRESS SECRETARY

CALGARY P.S.—Mrs. R. H. Williams, of St. Andrew's Church, gave a most impressive talk to the ladies of Grace Church, Calgary, at their February meeting. The speaker stressed the power of efficacy and victory of prayer in daily life. It was pointed out that the balance between prayer and work must be kept true — either one in itself being incomplete. A fine report of the Presbyterial annual meeting was given by Mrs. A. M. Dixon. The President, Mrs. T. M. Allen, was in the chair, with Group 8 in charge of the programme. Mrs. Martin gave the Bible reading and Mrs. Colville led in prayer. A paper on "Fellow Citizens" was read by Mrs. Sullivan.

Edmonton P.S.—Reviewing a year of successful work in the home mission fields of Northern Alberta, members of Edmonton Presbyterial assembled in First Church, Edmonton, on February 5th. Visitors from outside points included Mrs. W. Allott, Provincial President, who spoke to the women in the afternoon and the young people in the evening; also Miss Isobel Gibson, matron of the Boys' Home, Vegreville, who spoke of the work being carried on there and also reported the addition of an X-ray machine to the hospital equipment.

Greetings were read from our Presbyterian Deaconesses, Miss Margaret Grigor, Wanham; Miss Todd, Brownvale; and Dr. Margaret Strang Savage, Dixonville.

According to the reports from the various Secretaries, each Auxiliary, Associate Society, Young Women's Auxiliary, Girls' Club and Mission Band, contributed substantial sums toward the 1934 allocation. These organizations also assisted in meeting requirements for clothing, and supplies for Presbyterian hospitals and mission schools. In addition, they made generous contributions to the Christmas welfare work. Distribution of more than 150 parcels, containing papers and magazines, some 1,500 pounds in all, to people resident in isolated districts was reported by the Library Department. This department also supplied one mission with a gramophone and records.

There are eight Auxiliaries and eight Associate Societies, an increase of five. Four of the new organizations are in the Peace River District, one at Dixonville organized by Dr. Margaret Strang Savage, one at Wanham organized by Miss Grigor, and two in the Brownvale district to which Miss Todd has been sent. The fifth is the new Associate

Society at Chauvin. The Young Women's Secretary reports a new Auxiliary organized recently by Miss Todd at Griffin Creek in the Peace River District. The Girls' Organization Secretary reports two new groups recently formed by Miss Todd at Blue Hawk and Figure Eight, in the Brownvale district and two more organized in our most northerly outpost at Fort St. John.

The evening programme was given by the young people of the various Presbyterian churches in the city.

Macleod P.S.—A good representation from all districts marked the fourth annual meeting of the Presbyterial, when it convened in St. Andrew's Church, Lethbridge, in February. Delegates were present from Medicine Hat, Macleod, Granum, Claresholm, Vulcan and Lethbridge. The President, Mrs. J. H. Harback, presided at all sessions. The departmental reports revealed gratifying progress during the year. A fine spirit of optimism prevailed throughout the meeting. Solos were rendered by Mrs. Hogg and Miss Dorothy Rodier of Lethbridge. Rev. J. N. Hepburn presided at the installation of officers and was the special speaker for the meeting.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Mrs. W. J. Smith, Box 138, Armstrong, Press Secretary

Annual Meeting

THE 21st annual meeting of the British Columbia Provincial Society was held in Central Presbyterian Church, Vancouver, March 12th and 13th.

An inspiring address on the history of the Women's Missionary Society, its aims and objects, was given by the retiring President, Mrs. James Herd, after greetings from the Synod had been brought by Rev. J. R. Frizzell, B.A., LL.B. An interesting event at that session was the presentation to the Society of a beautiful banner by Miss Simpson and Miss Harrop, in memory of their mothers, who had been devoted workers of the Society.

Of special interest Tuesday was the address of Miss Laura K. Pelton, Young Women's Travelling Secretary, who presented a challenge for more sacrifice by the members and the necessity of the Christian Church to speak with authority to youth. This address, full of power and inspiration, backed by a strong spiritual personality made a deep appeal to all.

The Wednesday morning session was taken up with encouraging reports by the various Secretaries and a discussion of the work being done among the Chinese in Victoria and Vancouver. Miss Roberta

Smith gave the report of the deaconess department. Members of Westminister Presbyterial were hostesses at luncheon.

Mrs. R. M. Thompson was elected President. Changes in Secretaries are as follows: Corresponding, Mrs. W. G. Gourlie; Recording, Mrs. W. J. Jones; Supply, Mrs. Newman.

Beautiful bouquets were presented to Mrs. Herd, the retiring President, Mrs. Thomas Wilson, the retiring Secretary, and to Miss Pelton.

Westminster P.S.—In honor of one of their faithful pioneer members, the Richmond Auxiliary held a delightful presentation recently, when several members met in the sick room of Mrs. Jessie J. Wells. In loving memory of her former work for the Women's Missionary Society, Mrs. C. P. Young, our missionary from India, on behalf of the Auxiliary, presented Mrs. Wells with a Life Membership Certificate and a bouquet of daffodils.

At the regular meeting of the Auxiliary of Central Church, Vancouver, the members were privileged to have as their guest, Mrs. Jonathan Goforth, veteran missionary from Manchuria. Inspiration and a challenge to go forward on faith were the key notes of her message which was received by a large gathering with interest and enthusiasm.

The regular monthly meeting of the Young Women's Auxiliary of Mount Pleasant Church, Vancouver, was held at the home of Mrs. J. Murray, with the President, Miss Olive Greer, in the chair. After the regular business, the report of the delegate to the annual meeting of the Presbyterial was given.

At the February meeting of the West Point Grey Auxiliary, Rev. C. P. and Mrs. Young met with the members and gave most interesting addresses, with lantern views, of their work in India.

Later in the month the Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. J. D. Currie and had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Jonathan Goforth and of listening to a short address on the work of our missionaries in Manchuria.

MANITOBA

MRS. GEO. A. T. LECKIE, 1457 WINNIPEG AVE., WINNIPEG, PRESS SECRETARY

SUPERIOR P.S. twenty-first annual meeting was held in First Presbyterian Church, West Fort William, February 14th. The President, Mrs. Percival Cundy, presided. Splendid addresses were delivered by Mrs. A. MacKay, Jhansi, India. She stressed the three main phases of the work, evangelistic, medical and educational, especially the schools of India, the manner of teaching, the responses and the many problems confronted in the way of vocations after graduating from high school.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected at the afternoon session, the installation service being conducted by Mrs. S. Wright. Keen regret was expressed upon the resignation of Mrs. C. LeCocq, who has been the Recording Secretary for seven years. Mrs. Cundy gave a descriptive report of her visit to the ''Cecilia Jeffrey'' school in Kenora, and a report of the Council Meeting held in Montreal. Regret was expressed at the passing during the year of Mrs. W. Elliott and Mrs. Meikle, both faithful members of the Executive. The banners for the highest average givings were awarded to the ''McKay'' Band of Port Arthur and the ''H. R. Grant'' Band of St. Andrew's Church, Fort William. Mrs. Cundy gave a splendid resumé of the work of the Presbyterial.

''What Missions Stand For'' was the instructive study topic taken by Mrs. Robert Wallace at the monthly meeting of First Church Auxiliary. The meeting, which was presided over by Miss Smellie, opened with a minute's silence in tribute to the memory of the late Miss M. C. G. Fraser, the talented editor of *Glad Tidings,* official W.M.S. publication, followed by prayer by Miss Smellie. Mrs. E. R. Stuckey took the chair during the devotional period, the theme being ''Service''.

Mrs. C. LeCocq presided at a well-attended meeting of St. Andrew's Church Auxiliary, Fort William. Mrs. D. Walker was appointed Superintendent and Mrs. H. Fisher, assistant, to take charge of the ''Sunbeam'' Mission Band. Mrs. F. Blain gave an address on ''Esther''. Mrs. Malcolm Fraser and Mrs. J. A. McClure reported the annual Presbyterial meeting, held recently in West Fort William.

The Orient with all its color and glamor invaded the Sunday School Room of First Presbyterian Church, Port Arthur, when the C.G.I.T., under the direction of the Superintendent, Miss Christine McCormack, entertained at a Japanese tea. Many were attracted by the exhibit of work carried on by the girls during the past term in their study of Japan.

Winnipeg P.S. held its 21st annual meeting, February 27th and 28th, in Norwood Presbyterian Church, the President, Mrs. W. J. Martin, presiding. Greetings from the Anglican Church were brought by Mrs. F. W. Thompson; from Brandon Presbyterial by Mrs. John Manson, and from Superior Presbyterial by Mrs. H. R. Grant. Miss Hazel MacDonald, deaconess, gave a very interesting address on her work in Saskatchewan. She spoke of the difficult roads when visiting and of 5 small churches constructed as a result of the efforts of one man.

A Junior Membership was presented by Mrs. Leslie to Louise Richens, St. James Church, Winnipeg. Musical selections were supplied by the Mission Bands of St. James' and St. John's Churches. At the evening service Rev. D. Johnston gave the Scripture reading and Rev. W. Gordon MacLean, Moderator of the Presbytery, brought greetings. Addresses were given by Mrs. Nevin McWilliams on ''What Missions Stand For''; Mrs. J. E. Stewart on ''The Missionary In Between'', and Mrs. Digby Wheeler and Mr. Butcher on the Student Movement.

A tribute was paid by Mrs. A. M. L. Long to the retiring President, Mrs. W. J. Martin, for her splendid work. Mrs. George A. T. Leckie was elected President. Mrs. J. McCallum installed the officers with prayer.

St. John's Church Auxiliary, Winnipeg, held its February meeting at the home of the Secretary, Mrs. J. Neville, the President, Mrs. John Dick, presiding. Miss Hazel MacDonald, deaconess, gave a most interesting talk on her experiences in the work being carried on by the W.M.S. in the Peace River District.

Kildonan Church Auxiliary held their February meeting at the home of the President, Mrs. R. B. Anderson. Miss Hazel MacDonald, our new deaconess, spoke of her work in the Peace River District and Mrs. J. P. Duffin on early missionary work.

The Girls' Guild of Kildonan Church, under the leadership of Miss Grace Palmer, assisted by Miss Isabelle Duffin, recently held a very successful tea and sale of work at the home of Mrs. J. P. Duffin. The girls were honored by having as their guests, Rev. C. P. and Mrs. Young of Mendha, Central India, and Miss H. MacDonald, our new deaconess.

ONTARIO

Mrs. J. R. Sanderson, 166 Hammersmith Ave., Toronto, Press Secretary

INCREASED attendance, increased offerings, indicating interest, were the keynotes of reports on The World Day of Prayer, held on March 8th.

Valetta Auxiliary, Chatham P.S., heard an interesting address on ''Conditions in Peru'' by Mrs. Depew, returned missionary and sister of an Auxiliary member. Rev. W. T. McKenzie gave a short talk on the life of Dr. Robertson. The Wallaceburg Auxiliary increased its funds by giving a supper and Knox Auxiliary, Windsor, by a costume musical.

The Golden Jubilee of Glen Gordon Auxiliary, Glengarry P.S., was celebrated at the home of Mrs. F. A. McLennan, Lancaster. Just fifty years ago that day, March 4th, they held their first meeting. Mrs. F. McLeod welcomed the guests. Mrs. T. McIntosh read the history of the Auxiliary, a copy of which was given to each charter member. Two minutes' silence was observed in honor of deceased members. Letters were read from former members unable to attend. Mrs. R. McNaughton brought greetings from Lancaster Auxiliary. Rev. L. H. Fowler, M.A., gave an inspirational address. Mrs. D. McNicol and Mrs. G. Goodfellow assisted by friends, served a dainty supper. Mrs. D. J. Pettingale and Mrs. D. S. Fraser lit the fifty candles on the birthday cake, which was cut by Mrs. R. W. McNaughton. Two sweet little girls had the honor of blowing out the candles.

The annual meeting of Guelph P.S. was held in Central Church, Galt, Mrs. M. B. Davidson, presiding. All departments were well represented and

Secretaries gave excellent reports of the year's work. Rev. G. Taylor-Munro represented the Presbytery. Miss I. McLellan, Guelph, gave a helpful talk on ''Prayer a Sacred Trust.'' Mrs. Robert Moynan, Hamilton, guest speaker, told of the work of her mother and father, Rev. Dr. Jonathan and Mrs. Goforth. Mrs. J. J. Lowe installed the officers. An item illustrating the interest taken in the W.M.S. work by its members is of one, who, to reach this annual meeting first travelled by horse and buggy, then by bus to Guelph, to Hespeler by railroad, on to Preston by radial, and finally reaching Galt by bus.

The eighth birthday banquet of the ''Frances Hawtin'' Young Women's Auxiliary, Preston, was an impressive meeting. They were organized first as the ''Steadfast'' C.G.I.T. Group, and graduated in 1933 as an Auxiliary. The present C.G.I.T. Group were guests at the banquet. Mrs. H. M. Coulter, Brampton, who organized the original group, was the speaker. She congratulated the girls on their success and urged that they press on and upward, carrying the torch in unselfishness and high ideals for Christ's service. Miss Margaret Woods presided. Ten candles of different sizes graced the head table, the tallest representing the Women's Missionary Society, the next the Auxiliary. These were lit by Mrs. W. P. Sutton, supervisor since 1927. The other eight, years of service, were lit from the W.M.S. candle by succeeding Presidents, who recounted the activities during their year of office. A two-storey birthday cake added to the pleasure of the occasion.

Port Elgin Auxiliary, Bruce and Owen Sound P.S., met in March at the home of Miss Sarah Lamont, in honor of her 89th birthday. During her more active years Miss Lamont was an efficient officer of the Auxiliary. Refreshments were served after the meeting. Tiverton Auxiliary reports well attended meetings and prospects bright for the present year.

One Auxiliary meeting of unusual interest and one that others might successfully carry out was held by the Senior Auxiliary of Calvin Church, Toronto, when they entertained the Young Women's Auxiliaries of the Church. A number of young women impersonated our Deaconesses, each telling who she was and describing in detail the work she did, a most realistic presentation. Miss Mildred Weir, R.N., Miss Ruth Heighton, B.A., and Miss Olwen Davies, B.A., graduating deaconesses, under appointment to foreign service, were guests and were introduced to the meeting by Mrs. D. Inglis Grant. A short paper on Library work was given by Mrs. H. Scott.

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QUEBEC

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"THE greatest progress as a Provincial Society since 1925" states in a sentence the facts of the year as reported at a full Board meeting held in Montreal on March 19th.

The representation was not as large as usual owing to illness among the members. Miss C. E. Cameron, Provincial President, was in the chair.

A summary of the achievements and standing of the various departments, all of which gave the impression of the value of individual effort, was presented by Mrs. R. J. Bell, Corresponding Secretary. The Treasurer, Mrs. J. L. Smardon, reported an increase of givings over last year, the Quebec Presbyterial having exceeded its allocation. Auxiliaries now number 47, with a membership of 1,386; Young Women's Auxiliaries and associated groups, 26, with 427 members; Girls' Organizations, 43, with membership of 496; Mission Bands, 34, with 895 members; Home Helpers, 1,027. The total membership, 4,231, represented an increase of 160. Total contributions of $15,643 had increased $114.

Miss Murray, of Tyndale House, and Mrs. Gouldthorpe, of the Huntingdon School Residence, addressed the afternoon session. Miss Iris Munro reported on welcome and welfare work in the city.

The reports of the out-of-town Vice-Presidents were very encouraging. The value of sectional meetings was specially stressed, all being well attended. A deepening interest on the part of the members, increased contributions, and the enthusiasm of the smaller and more remote Auxiliaries were points noted.

A review of the fields, conducted by Mrs. Dougherty, centered around a large map prepared by Mrs. A. W. Lamb, proved exceedingly interesting and gave much helpful information. The devotional periods conducted by Mrs. Price, President of the Quebec Presbyterial, and Mrs. W. E. Baker, newly elected President of the Montreal Presbyterial, were helpful and suggestive, as were Mrs. R. A. Kerr's closing words. One always regrets the lack of space which forbids of the passing on to others of the spiritual uplift derived from these devotional periods.

Miss C. E. Cameron and Mrs. A. W. Lamb were appointed delegates to the Enlarged Council Executive meeting in Toronto.

SASKATCHEWAN

Mrs. E. G. D. MacEachern, 1934 Victoria Ave., Regina, Press Secretary

MOOSE JAW P.S.—Weyburn Auxiliary reports a visit from Miss L. Simpson, returned missionary from Jhansi, India, who gave a delightful address on the work in India, illustrated by lantern slides. As this was Miss Simpson's home Auxiliary, there were a number from other denominations who showed their interest by attending. The pictures were very clear and interesting. Among them was a picture of Dr. Wilkie and his wife, former missionaries on the same field, boys' and girls' schools, the dispensary where Miss Simpson treats her patients, also the farm where Mr. and Mrs. Hawtin live. All went away with a clearer idea of what the work includes and a deeper interest.

Saskatoon P.S.—At the February meeting of the Parkview Church Auxiliary an excellent address was given on the Ukrainian people, dealing with their identity, history, and national arts, their responsiveness to friendship and the work our Presbyterian Church is doing with these people both in Canada and their native land. At the March meeting Mrs. A. Rankin gave a very interesting paper on Hungarian people. The worth while thought for the month was expressed by Miss Steenson—''Christ's loving kindness, the example for Christians.'' Encouraging reports from all Secretaries were read and marked interest was shown by a splendid attendance.

The sub-executive of the Provincial Board met at the home of the President, March 23rd.

Devotional

I have called upon Thee, for Thou wilt hear me, O God; incline Thine ear unto me, and hear my speech.—Ps. xvii, 6.

Ye people pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us. —Ps. lxii, 8.

''Trouble and perplexity drive us to prayer, and prayer driveth away trouble and perplexity.''—*P. Melanchton.*

''Whatsoever it is that presses thee, go tell thy Father; put over the matter into His Hand, and so thou shalt be freed from that dividing, perplexing care that the world is full of. When thou art either to do or suffer anything, when thou art about any purpose or business, go tell God of it and acquaint Him with it; yea, burden Him with it, and thou hast done for matter of caring; no more care, but quiet, sweet diligence in thy duty, and dependence on Him for the carriage of thy matters. Roll thy cares and thyself with them, as one burden, all on thy God.''—*R. Leighton.*

—Ministering Women.

THE TASK

A mother's heart must be tender,
A mother's head must be wise,
A mother's life must be a light
Before her children's eyes,
Leading their feet to heaven
By the path that her feet have trod,
And how can she be and do all this,
If she seek not the help of God.

—From Gordon League Ballads.

Treasurer's Statement

March 30th, 1935

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Chinese Work in Toronto	748.10
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Birtle Indian School	599.50
Mistawasis Indian Day School	50.00
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Huntingdon	125.00
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New Liskeard	66.66
Saskatoon	68.33
Vegreville	295.83
Welcome and Welfare	1,161.47
Supplies	177.41
Publications	914.37
Organization	1,224.00
Library	7.90
Candidate	5.00
Deputation	115.75
Education of Chinese Student	10.00
Grant to School of Missions	100.00
Grant to Deaconess Home	100.00
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Jhansi Field	3,434.50
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New Organizations

Alberta

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British Columbia

Victoria P.S.—''Searchlight'' M.B., ''Sunbeam'' Beginners Band, Erskine Ch., Victoria.

Westminster P.S.—Affiliated Y.W. Aux., St. Columba Ch., Vancouver.

Manitoba

Brandon P.S.—Cranberry Portage M.B.

Ontario

Barrie P.S.—Coldwater M.B.

Hamilton P.S.—''Workers for Jesus'' M.B., McNab St. Ch., Hamilton.

Huron P.S.—Boys' Missionary Club, Knox Ch., Goderich.

Toronto P.S.—St. Andrew M.B., Aurora.

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Mrs. R. Lees 59

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"I beseech Thee, O Lord God of Heaven that keepeth covenant and mercy for them that love Him and observe His commandments, let now Thine ear be attentive to the prayer of Thy servants. These are Thy servants and Thy people whom Thou hast redeemed by Thy great power and by Thy strong hand."

ON June 15th, the Presbyterian Church in Canada will celebrate her Diamond Jubilee. As we pause to commemorate this important anniversary of our Church, let us look down the vista of memory at that noble band, whose courage and love inspired our Church, at its beginning, and whose spirit lives in it still.

The Maritimes and Lower Canada

The annals of the Presbyterian Church in Canada go back into that pioneer past when the foundations of our country were being laid. Fifteen years after the founding of Halifax, there came to Acadia, in 1764, the first ordained Presbyterian minister, Rev. James Lyon, from New Jersey. He did not build churches nor organize congregations, but he laid foundations on which other men built. To Halifax from Scotland in 1766 came Rev. James Murdock, to accept a wide commission which said that he was appointed "to Nova Scotia or any other part of the American continent where God in His Providence may call him." In the closing years of the eighteenth century, Rev. James McGregor came to the Province of Nova Scotia to found a mission. Throughout the summers and winters of forty-five years, that dauntless man gave his best to the peoples of the colony, sharing their poverty and hardships, their plenty and success, weeping with those who wept and rejoicing with all who had cause for gladness. In the Presbyterianism of the Maritime Provinces his name shall remain blessed. These Maritime Provinces have the still prouder distinction of being the first British colony in the world to send out a missionary to any part of heathendom, and that missionary, Rev. John Geddie, born in Scotland, but brought up by godly parents at Pictou, Nova Scotia, was the forerunner of many who have gone forth from the same part of Canada to found missions in various and difficult fields.

Of the final success of the long struggle for the civil and ecclesiastical rights of Presbyterian clergy and people, with regard to solemnizing matrimony and holding church property, little need now be said. Nor is it necessary to indicate the steps whereby the eleven different branches of Presbyterianism united into the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Anyone looking over the events since the consummation of that union in 1875 must rejoice greatly at the things wrought. But these achievements required the devotion of men who would be worthy of the early pioneers.

In Lower Canada, although the Protestant population was very small, the Presbyterians organized a congregation in the city of Quebec in the early 60's, and to this congregation the Rev. George Henry, a military chaplain and minister of the Church of Scotland, was called in 1765. The Rev. John Bethune deserves to be affectionately and honorably remembered for organizing in Montreal, 1786, the first Presbyterian congregation in that great city. In 1792 was formed the temporary Presbytery of Montreal, and the congregation erected the church, which was afterwards called St. Gabriel's.

Upper Canada

The Rev. Jaber Collver, who came to Upper Canada from New Jersey in 1793 at the invitation of Governor Simcoe, settled on a Government grant of 1,000 acres in the County of Norfolk. He was the first Presbyterian clergyman in the district and for five and twenty years the only one. Imagine, if it be possible, the life of Rev. Robert McDowall, who from 1798 for forty years travelled his parish which stretched along Lake Ontario from what is now Brockville to Toronto. Other pioneer Presbyterian clergyman were the Rev. John Dunn, who preached in Stamford, where the first Presbyterian congregation in Upper Canada had been established in 1785, and the Rev. John Burns, who was minister at Niagara from 1806 to 1821. In 1812 his Church was used as a war hospital. Mr. Burns was taken prisoner in the war of 1812 and was imprisoned for six months in Fort Niagara, U.S.A., where he was well treated. During all that six months he preached every Sunday to the U.S. garrison. Another pioneer was the Rev. David Eastman of Beaver Dams, who built a comfortable log house which was the ''manse'' of the Niagara peninsula. Near this manse some of the severest battles of the war of 1812 were fought. ''There was scarcely a mile square on the Peninsula which he had not traversed many times on horseback, and once at least he was chased by hungry wolves to his own door.'' In 1850 blindness interrupted his labors but he still continued to preach sometimes, till his death in 1865. He was the father of the Presbyterian churches in the Niagara and Gore districts.

In the year 1818 ''The Presbytery of the Canadas'' was organized by four ministers, the Rev. Messrs. Easton, Smart, Bell and Taylor. They were afterwards joined by the Rev. John Jenkins, who preached in Markham, Scarborough, Vaughan and other places from the Grand River to the Bay of Quinte. They and other pioneers laid a good foundation for our beloved Church in these parts of Ontario. They have had many colleagues and successors among whom may be mentioned the Rev. John MacMurchy, of Argyle and of Glasgow University, who came to Canada soon after 1840, and preached for many years in Eldon, all the country around Lake Simcoe, and as far north as Collingwood on Georgian Bay, and the Rev. Dr. James Carmichael, of King, a graduate of Queen's, for about fifty years the beloved and eloquent minister of King and the churches in the adjoining districts. Rev. Wm. Aitken, of Vaughan, was one of his later colleagues. All these early congregations owed a great deal to the elders who were the helpers of the clergy and the people. The history of the early congregations in Toronto, Hamilton, Kingston, and other Ontario cities is well known. In 1871, the Rev. George Leslie Mackay of Tara, Ontario, was sent as a missionary to China and Formosa. He was the pioneer foreign missionary of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

The Great West

When the day came for the Presbyterian Church to send her messengers into the vast West between the Lakes and the Mountains, the spirit of the early heralds of the Cross was reborn in men like Rev. John Black, for ten years, from 1851, the Church's sole representative to the Kildonan settlers in the Red River district, sending out his call for the expansion of the Gospel. Three hundred of the Scots colonists became members in full communion at the first sacramental service. For over thirty-five years without a minister, they had kept alive the torch of their faith by holding cottage meetings, by family worship, and catechism teaching in the home, and so they rallied round the new minister who was a man of unusual ability. Amidst their pioneer struggles they built their stone church, hauling the material for it, with oxen and sleds across the wintry prairie from Stony Mountain, fifteen miles away. Great was the joy of this old parish on the day they sent out a missionary party under Rev. James Nisbet to found a mission to the Northwest Indians ''five hundred miles north of Fort Garry.''

From 1881 to the close of the century there was an incessant tide of immigration from all parts of the world overflowing the prairies, and even the shores of British Columbia. In the midst of that tide labored

Rev. James Robertson, the first Superintendent of Missions for Manitoba and the Northwest under the Presbyterian Church. He had a perfect genius for picking out men for the service of the Church, and had many able helpers, amongst whom none will be longer remembered with love and admiration than Dr. D. G. McQueen, whom Dr. Ephraim Scott described as ''the angel of the First Church of Edmonton.'' It would be impossible to give, in our space, even a list of those who did the great work of our Church in the Middle West in its formative period. It was in 1861, that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, sent out a brilliant young minister from Belfast, Rev. John Hall, who preached the first sermon in a Presbyterian service on the Pacific Coast in June, 1861. He was, therefore, the founder of the First Presbyterian Church in Victoria, which thus became the second regular Presbyterian Church west of the Lakes. The modern era was now at hand and the railway opened a vast field in Southern British Columbia. On the Island, Rev. Donald Fraser became pastor of the First Church.

The Yukon

From year to year missions grew, churches and manses were built, so that between 1882 and 1887 a new mission station was added for every day in the week. During the years of the present century the same story is continued to far away Yukon, when mission stations were established at strategic centers by which gold-seeking miners might be aided in seeking also the Pearl of Great Price. As they embarked at Vancouver, Dr. James Robertson stood watching them and resolved to follow them with a Gospel message. His clarion call for men was answered by Rev. R. M. Dickey, Rev. A. S. Grant, Rev. John Pringle, and Rev. J. A. Sinclair, who planted the standard of our Church in Skagway, Dawson, Atlin and Bennet. There, too, at Dawson City Dr. Andrew S. Grant built the Good Samaritan Hospital. The names of these strong men, who were not repelled by the hardships of the frontier, should still be efficacious, as live coals from the altar, in giving voice and zeal to those who have entered into their labors.

Throughout the years, in addition to missionary endeavor in familiar localities at home, missions overseas were undertaken in China, Manchuria, India, Formosa and to the Koreans in Japan. Rev. George Leslie Mackay, Rev. Dr. Jonathan Goforth, Rev. Dr. John Wilkie, Rev. Dr. John Buchanan, Rev. Dr. Donald MacGillivray are names which will always be held in honor by all who know their records.

What shall be said of the women who shared in the task as well as the glory of the last sixty years? They filled up the cup of service in lowly imitation of the Master they so joyously followed. We cannot help but call to mind the trials and tribulations of those heroic women who, leaving behind many of their own kin and friends, took with them a high courage, firm endurance and an abiding faith in the God of their fathers.

Turn back also to those unnamed and forgotten souls whose lack of fame did not diminish the brightness of their light. Along the pathway of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries they travelled often with weary feet and at the end of many a day must have wondered, as they lay down to sleep, if the youth of the twentieth century would prove worthy of the heritage bequeathed to them.

May the heroic achievements of those early missionary pioneers of our Presbyterian Church in Canada be a challenge to her youthful sons and daughters.

Editorial

Honored Visitors

THE Council Executive was honored at one of their recent meetings by the presence of a veteran missionary and his wife, Rev. A. J. Fisher, D.D., and Mrs. Fisher. Dr. Fisher, who has been in the South China Mission of the American Presbyterian Board for nearly thirty years, was motoring across the continent on his way back to China, speaking en route in several Canadian cities. In speaking of his work in China where he has been closely connected with our missionary, Mrs. Burkwall, ever since he went out to China, Dr. Fisher said, ''I wish to compliment this Board on the splendid group of women you sent out to China. It is no exaggeration to say that the young ladies you have sent out have been able to master the language in a way that is remarkable, and which has not been equalled. Mrs. Burkwall has given herself unstintingly to the work in South China and she has associated with herself many fine native pastors and Bible women who have been a great help to her. We are sorry the way was not clear for your Board to return Miss Agnes Dickson to South China, and we still hope you will find some one like her who will co-operate in the development of the fourth Presbytery along the East River.'' He spoke of the opportunity for Evangelists in China today, especially Chinese Evangelists, who can stir up hearts and souls by interpreting the Word of Christ in a way the Chinese can understand. Mrs. Fisher also paid tribute to Mrs. Burkwall's work among the women in developing leadership, and to Dr. Jessie MacBean, who has been so willing and eager to help in every way.

At a later meeting the Council Executive were privileged to welcome Rev. E. H. and Mrs. Johnson, of Long Branch, in the Presbytery of Toronto, who have volunteered to fill the vacancy in Manchuria caused by the retirement of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Goforth. The President, in welcoming these young missionaries of our Church, referred to Mrs. Johnson's fine education and religious training and to the two years Mr. Johnson spent in the Peace River country, where he succeeded in building a Church, through the liberality of the people of his home city, Montreal. She assured them that they would always be warmly thought of and loved by our Society and wished them abundant success and blessing in their work.

The Bible Society

THE annual report of the British and Foreign Bible Society in Canada and Newfoundland, has just come from the press. The title, ''The Book of Victory,'' is based on the Scripture text, ''Thine, O Lord, is the victory.'' The work of the Bible Society is so closely linked with all missionary endeavor that the message in this, its 30th annual report, should be of great interest to our readers.

''A Society that in 13 years has issued 453,000,000 copies of the Bible has surely helped to proclaim the Christ of Power to all the world. The average issue of nearly a million a month is divided amongst the 678 translations already published by the Society. In recent years 30,000 copies per month have been circulated in Canada. Surely such circulation cannot fail but augur well for the future of a civilization in the Dominion which must eventually weld in one, peoples at present speaking almost 100 tongues.''

''The history of Bible translation has been described as 'a stirring record of faithful and victorious courage,' and this is equally true of its circulation by colporteurs. Only those who know something of Canadian distances, the heat of its summers and the rigors of its winters, can realize the external difficulties with which colporteurs are continually confronted.''

To Honor the Venerable Bede

MUCH will be said and written concerning the Venerable Bede in the course of the next few months. It was on Ascension Day A.D. 735 that he died, and just before the end came he completed his translation of St. John's Gospel into his mother tongue. The story of Bede's death was related by one of his pupils, and Cuthbert's beautiful narrative has an immortal quality about it. It is so well known that it need not be repeated now: sufficient is it to remember that the dying man worked all that day at the translation and finished it shortly before his death. Nobly had he lived, and nobly did he die.

How can we best honor the memory of this great and good man? There are, naturally, to be special services at the Old Church of Jarrow, which is close by the ruins of the monastery where Bede lived, at which the Archbishops of Canterbury and York will be present, and there may be other official methods of honoring the memory of Bede. We would, however, venture to offer a simple suggestion, which, if acted upon, would be the kind of tribute to his memory that Bede himself would have valued. He gave the last days of his life to the translation of St. John's Gospel into the speech of his fellow-countrymen that they might be able to read it for themselves: how better could we honor Bede's memory than by reading through again, and persuading others to read through again, that Fourth Gospel? In other words if all men and women who reverence the name of Bede would observe the 1,200th anniversary of his death by reading St. John's Gospel afresh, that would be as fitting and as worthy a celebration as could be devised.

Sad News From India

AS we go to press, the sad word has come from Amkhut, India, of the death of Mrs. John Buchanan. The news came by cable on Thursday, May 16th, but no further particulars are available. The sympathy of every member of the Society goes out to Dr. Buchanan and his family in their great loss. We are thankful that their daughter Ruth has been with her parents for the past few months, and is there with Dr. Buchanan during these sad days. Further reference will appear in the next issue.

The Christian Literature Society for China

Our Women's Missionary Society gives a yearly grant of $50 to Mrs. Donald MacGillivray, Shanghai, for the children's department of the Christian Literature Society. In 1915, Mrs. MacGillivray was appointed Editor of ''Happy Childhood,'' the first and only Sunday School paper for the boys and girls of China.

THE Christian Literature Society for China is an interdenominational Society within the Missionary body, the servant of all, publishing Christian books, magazines, tracts, pictures, Sunday School material, story books for the young, books for the use of preachers, etc. It was founded about forty-seven years ago by Dr. Alexander Williamson, a man with a vision of the needs of his day and a still larger vision of the coming needs.

Dr. Williamson died in 1890 and Dr. Timothy Richard of the English Baptist Mission took up the torch. In 1899 Dr. Donald MacGillivray owing largely to Dr. Richard's influence caught the vision, and the Canadian Church lighted another torch. They occupied, in 1899, two small rooms over a book shop in a crowded Chinese street with ceilings so low you could only just stand upright, and stairs resembling a steep ladder. Others joined them, Dr. Young Allan, Dr. A. P. Parker, Dr. Evan Morgan, Mr.

Isaac Mason, Rev. Gilbert Walshe, Rev. A. Cornaby, Miss Laura White and many others including Chinese writers. The vision these men and women saw, that caused them to dedicate their talents and lives to the cause of producing Christian literature, was China in danger, emerging from the Old into New paths. They saw the Chinese Church illiterate, the Chinese pastor untrained, the woman with bound feet and a bound life, the ''Child in the Midst,'' and heard a Voice not only crying ''How shall they hear without a preacher,'' but ''How shall they preach without they are taught,'' and ''How can they be taught without books?''

At first the Society catered chiefly for the literati. That was inevitable, for hardly any one else could read. But as years passed and the needs of the Chinese Church became insistent the Voice called, ''Feed My Sheep,'' ''Feed My Lambs,'' and again ''Suffer Little Children to Come Unto ME'' and men and women were ready to answer ''Here am I.''

Wherever Light and Truth penetrate changes must come. Whenever people begin to read and think then things happen. A luncheon was given in Shanghai about thirty-three years ago. No men were present only their wives and a few foreign ladies. The object was to try and get these women interested in education. Mrs. Timothy Richard was the chief speaker, and Mrs. Donald MacGillivray, then a young missionary, was also an invited guest. When today one meets groups of Chinese women able to speak and preside at meetings, to give talks on the radio, to preach, teach, lecture, presidents of Schools and Colleges, doctors, nurses, etc., the mind travels back to that luncheon — not one present with natural feet, hardly one who could read, and not one capable of taking any part in the subject under discussion namely ''Education for Women.'' And this only thirty-three years ago!

The Society moved their headquarters three or four times from the days when they occupied the small rooms above the book shop, until owing to the generosity of a business man of the city, they occupied their own headquarters in North Szechuen Road. As years passed, the building was enlarged somewhat, but the conviction came that the cause of Christian Literature demanded a move to the center of the city. And today they have a beautiful building there.

The Editorial Staff within the building produce books and magazines. Let us take a peep into one or two rooms. In one room sits Mr. Allan of the English Methodist Mission. With him is Mr. Hsia formerly vice-president of a teachers' training college. They are busy preparing material for *The Preacher's Magazine* and also articles for ''The Dictionary of Christ and the Gospels.''

In the Proof-readers' room are three Chinese gentlemen all reading proof. We could take peeps into other rooms — Children's Department where you would find Mrs. MacGillivray with Mr. Leo the Chinese Editor of our Children's Magazine, also Miss Waung busy at the typewriter. At a little table sits Mr. Chang the Artist busy illustrating stories or designing covers for books. Peep into the Woman's Department where the *Woman's Messenger* is being prepared by Miss Li and Miss Chen. There is not time to visit the Business Department with Mr. Terry and his staff, or Miss Brown and Miss Wong busy in the preparation of literature for the newly literate, also Dr. Morgan, Mr. Millican, Mr. Garnier, Mr. Z. K. Zia and the other members of our Chinese Staff, all busy at one task.

Let us also look in at the Christian Broadcasting Association with headquarters on the 7th floor. Is there any other country in the world with such an Association? This is financed by a group of Chinese business men and every day through the air the Gospel Message is carried far and wide. Some day in Canada one may be able to ''listen in'' to China from the Christian Broadcasting Association. Eleven members of the Christian Literature Society are helping with the broadcasting at different hours on such subjects as ''Better Homes,'' ''Child Training,'' ''Noon Day Meditations,'' ''Morning Prayers,'' ''Story Telling.'' Preaching and singing from pastors and friends of Chinese Churches go on at stated intervals every day.

All through the years of change, the Society has gone steadily on writing, translating, preparing books for the times. Was it Halley's Comet in 1910 and a fear that riots would take place? Then a poster must be designed to be sent broadcast over the land. Was it a fear of Bolshevism? Then a book pointing out the dangers must be prepared. Did the pastors need a Bible Dictionary? Again the Christian Literature Society met the need. Did the Church need devotional books to lead them to ''Sit with Christ in Heavenly Places''? Books of deep spiritual value were prepared. Did the Chinese mothers feel a need for books to help them to teach their children to pray and to love the Lord Jesus? The Christian Literature Society were again ready. Did the rural people of China want simple books that even they could learn to read? Again the Christian Literature Society faced the task.

This then has been and is the task of the Christian Literature Society namely, to prepare and print books to meet the current needs of the Church, the home and the community.

We search the world for truth; we cull
The good, the pure, the beautiful,
From graven stone, and written scroll,
From all old flower fields of the soul;
And, weary seekers of the best,
We come back laden from our quest,
To find that all the sages said,
Is in the Book our mothers read.

—John Greenleaf Whittier.

Christian Literature in Manchuria

The following letter from Mrs. W. G. Davis, tells of the Christian literature supplied by the $100 grant of our Society.

THANK you for your Christmas card and heartfelt Christmas message. In these isolated parts it is so good to get a breath of good wishes from the homeland where Christmas is so much more real than it is here. However, we do make the most we can of the happy season. The Chinese enjoy Christmas too, though their decorations are not just what we would choose — paper flags of all nations, brilliant paper flowers, etc.

The two new Bible women are proving most capable. I took an extended tour of our field with them this fall. We had such a good time. We have to be careful where we go on account of bandits. They have been rather bold this fall. However the Lord's protection continues and we are pressing on.

The money you sent has come. It is such a help. We are planning our spring class for the women. This will be the third year. Our women are developing, some going ahead fast. If the bandit problem would settle down we could do much more in places away from the railroad.

I have just sent in an order for about 100,000 tracts, to be printed in Taonan. It is much cheaper than ordering from Shanghai. I enclose a sample, a tract for children. They enjoy this hymn very much. There is a good man from Mukden here for a while at the printer's, so we can get the work done.

We will be losing Dr. and Mrs. Goforth soon. It will seem strange here in Manchuria without them.

Interdenominational Christian Literature

A yearly grant of $250 is given by our Women's Missionary Society to the Committee on Christian Literature Among Women and Children in Mission Fields, the Chairman of which is Miss Clementina Butler, whose parents were missionaries in India.

THE chief objective of this Committee is the publication of magazines and books, suitable for home reading, in the various vernaculars. There are now a number of periodicals in different countries. ''The Treasure Chest'' is printed in English and also in six vernaculars in India. In China, has been established a delightful little monthly magazine, ''Happy Childhood'', which was estimated to have a million readers before the recent confusion. Japan is being helped and Latin America. The latest venture of the Committee is for neglected Africa. ''Listen'', a new magazine for the village folk there, has been started.

Christian Literature assumes a special importance at this time, due to the withdrawal of missionaries by their Boards. A missionary on the Field writes: ''Christian Literature is one of the forces whose influence is simply immeasurable. Out here we are all beginning to realize the importance of this phase of work that has been sadly neglected in the past. There is an insistent cry for more and more.'' While missionaries may have to leave certain fields, and while the activities of native pastors may be much restricted because of the unfavorable conditions, these magazines and books with the Good Tidings can make their way into the homes of the people without fail.

The greatest need of the Committee, as of all Christian Committees, is for more believing and faithful prayer, and every reader of these words is urged to take as a subject for daily prayer, the work of the Committee on Christian Literature among Women and Children in Mission Fields. May the thousands of women and girls of this Society give this most precious gift of believing prayer to the Committee and its work.

We publish some letters of appreciation received by the Committee from the countries where these publications are indispensable.

The Argentine. The number of readers increases. The contribution from your Committee enables us to have more pages and more pictures than we could have otherwise, and that is very pleasing to the readers.—*Zona Smith.*

Mexico. As the difficulties increase for all kinds of institutional work, the opportunity of Christian literature becomes greater, and the necessity for it imperative. The publication of the ''Antorcha'' and of the year book of devotional programmes by the National Union of Woman's Christian Societies is now assured by your generous gift. It will be a blessing to countless homes in Latin America and Spanish speaking people in the United States. What this will mean for uniting and strengthening the evangelical forces of Latin America is evident.

Your gift, financially speaking, cannot be measured, for without it this literature could not have been published.—*Sra. Elisa DePascoe and Katharine Gray.*

Africa. Paid subscriptions for ''Listen'' have reached 3,200. This represents what is actually being subscribed for on the field. The number does not indicate the reading public as single copies are passed around in whole schools. Teachers are using articles published in it both in English and in translation. ''Listen'' is filling a real need. Many missionaries believe that it marks the beginning of a new chapter in creating Christian Literature for the continent.—*Miss Margaret Wrong, after her tour in Africa.*

China. ''Happy Childhood'' finds a very splendid place in the church, not only for the children, but also the grown ups enjoy reading it. One of the most gratifying things has been an increase in the number of Chinese who purchase directly and not through the missionaries. ''Happy Childhood'' is useful in the new literacy work so with the money that was sent as a special gift for this 1,000 character movement we are putting out 2,600 extra copies of the special April number to be given for use in this work.

Material from the ''Woman's Messenger'' is used for mothers' meetings, women's club cooking, sewing and child training classes, recreation in the home, etc.—*Kwan Fang Li and Margaret Brown.*

Japan. Some of the books brought out by our Department are: ''Jesus, Friend of Children'', ''A Short Life of Jesus for Children'', by Dr. Kagawa; ''Why I believe in God, Why I believe in Christ'', and ''The Christian's Social View''.

Christians must build up ideals of peace and love, of justice and righteousness, of international brotherhood and friendship in a much wider circulation of Christian books and papers for children. The Japanese church has now a good supply of books but we are still very short in our supply of Christian literature for women and children.

The woman's magazine, the ''Light of Love'', is welcomed everywhere. One of the leading business men was so pleased with it that he at once ordered 300 copies for the men he employs, and it will be used for many big evangelistic meetings for factory girls.—*Miss L. I. Shaw.*

Korea. We have several publications for women and children that we are anxious to publish. We greatly need a medium priced book on first aid in the home. A Life of Livingston for the 'teen-age is often asked for. Simple well illustrated Bible stories at a small price are also much in request, as well as books on Domestic Science, modern cookery and helpful stories for women. All our printing and artist's work is done by Koreans.

The magazine is greatly valued on all sides. Highest praises are paid it by churches, Sunday Schools, day schools, students and teachers. It fills an important place in the forward movement of the Korean Christian Church.—*Gerald Bonwick.*

India. It is difficult to realize, living in literary-rich America, how destitute the East is in Christian and general literature. What has come from the East into Western literature is not even available in good form in the literature of the East, that is, in the form that the ordinary person may read.

Since the Gujarati children who were to read the ''Treasure Chest'' have very few chests for treasures in their home, we thought perhaps a garden would appeal more to Gujarati children, so that is how I got my name for the magazine ''Balvadi,'' meaning children's garden.—*Laura F. Austin.*

Just Suppose

SUPPOSE that a library in Canada contained almost entirely foreign books and magazines, how many books would each pupil read in a year?

Libraries in India contain a majority of English books. For lack of other reading matter, studious boys and girls read them, but the books are in a foreign language, and they do not get very far. Compare this with the number of books you read before you were twelve—lovely illustrated books written just for children, and in words they can understand.

In one high school in South India, fifty new vernacular books were put in, and read almost to ribbons in three months' time. There were no other good ones to be had at the time, suitable for children. The ''Treasure Chest'' was the only available vernacular magazine.

Suppose that you learned to read while in Grades one to four, and then never held a book in your hand again. How long before you would lapse into illiteracy?

It is estimated that only 10 per cent. of the men and 2 per cent. of the women in India can read and write. In an effort to help raise this standard, Christian Missions are spending money and effort to maintain schools for children in thousands of towns and villages. The majority of the pupils never get beyond the primary classes. For lack of books, many lapse into illiteracy in a year or two after leaving the school.

To supply this need a beginning has been made by the preparation of a ''Village Series'' of pamphlets — stories, hygiene lessons, interesting and useful information, religious teaching — in a form that the villager who has a primary education can read.

The Committee on Christian Literature for Women and Children in Mission Fields helps to

Brighten dull lives,
Open blind eyes,
Offer food for the starved imagination, the hungry soul;
Keep in use the sharpened tools of intellect;
Send the message of Christ where You and I cannot go.

Overseas Mission Work

BRITISH GUIANA

We, like the victor in Browning's little poem ''Have never doubted clouds would break . . . . Held we fall to rise, are baffled to fight better, sleep to wake.''

AND our faith is being rewarded. Early this year Rev. Mr. David Marshall, chairman of the Mission Council in British Guiana, advised our Executive of the need for a qualified lady teacher as principal of the Girls' High School in New Amsterdam, Berbice. Almost simultaneous with this request, came an application to the Candidates Secretary, for work under our Board, from Miss Olwen Davies, B.A., of Willowdale, Ontario, a graduate of the Ontario College of Education. It gave us great pleasure to appoint her to this position. Miss Davies has had some months training in the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home, and leaves for British Guiana early in June. She will begin her school duties in August, and is most enthusiastic about her anticipated work.

There appears to be a pretty well-founded opinion that the British Government will next year double its grant-in-aid to schools. Should that be done, it might be possible to establish a Girls' High School in Georgetown, Demerara, where there is a fine field for work among girls. An urgent need in connection with these schools will be a hostel, or girls' residence, especially in New Amsterdam, where several of the girls have to come long distances. Many others are so far away they are deprived of the advantage of the higher education given there, it being impossible for them to go back and forth each day. Another urgent need is for one or two deaconesses to assist the pastors and also to visit the mothers and children in their homes. Can we do this?

''Our doubts are traitors and make us lose the good we oft might win by fearing the attempt.''

FORMOSA

THE Women's Missionary Society at home find great cause for thankfulness in the efficient, faithful service of both foreign and native staffs. Whatever may be their special qualifications, they are above all—evangelists.

Misses Douglas, Ramsay and Chisholm, while taking advantage of opportunities for advanced missionary study in Toronto, have made, and enjoyed their home at the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home.

The interesting addresses given by missionaries on furlough have given the Women's Missionary Society much valuable information. This is also true of letters sent by missionaries on the field telling of their work.

To each missionary's wife on this Mission Field we pay a most sincere tribute of thanks for the splendid voluntary service they have so cheerfully given in every branch of mission work.

We report with thankfulness, the appointment of two new missionaries to North Formosa, Miss Mildred Weir, R.N., and Miss Ruth Heighton, B.A.

Evangelism.—At the beginning of the year we had nine full-time Bible women workers. Two were added during the year; four resigned, three of them to be married. One Girls' School graduate has been employed as part time Bible woman in her home church, thus at the end of the year there are seven working full time and one part time. Two of these do evangelistic work among the patients of the hospital while they are ill and later in their homes. One Bible woman visited among the parents of pupils of three different kindergartens while other workers have conducted classes in several towns.

Mrs. Koa reports that during 1934 she has had many opportunities to witness among women and children who have taken vegetarian vows. She has distributed many tracts, conducted missionary meetings among women of the smaller churches, and in some places organized women into Women's Missionary Societies. In September she and Mrs. Mackay helped with a Sunday School Conference on the east coast after which they visited several churches in that district.

A native Formosan

A full and interesting report of the annual meeting of the North Formosan W.M.S. shows fine organization, well planned programmes successfully carried out, and earnest Christian zeal of the members. The W.M.S. President is Mrs. Tan, and the Secretary is Mrs. Koa.

Educational, Girls' School, Tamsui.—The registration this year is the largest in the history of the school, the admission in April of 45 entrance pupils bringing it up to 130, over 90 of whom are dormitory pupils.

The year has been marked by many changes, especially in the teaching staff. The increasingly strict enforcement, by the Central Government, of the policy of Japanizing the people, necessitated the withdrawal from the curriculum of subjects taught in Chinese, and the dismissal of the teacher of Chinese ideographic writing, as he knew only the Chinese language. The teaching of Formosan Romanized was forbidden during school hours, though the use of Formosan is still permitted at evening prayers. The Bible is now taught in Japanese.

At the end of June Miss Douglas, the Principal, came home on furlough, leaving Miss Argall in charge, and on the departure to Japan, of Miss Taylor to study, Miss MacVey was appointed Director of Music.

The Autumn term was marked by a change in the school uniform and the permission from Council for the wearing of a school crest. The girls are much pleased with their new middies trimmed with red braid and flaunting a red silk tie ''for best.'' They are now impatiently awaiting the arrival of their crest pins, which are to be very simple silver ones, with a somewhat conventionalized book, surmounted by a cross, a maple leaf and a cherry flower, symbolizing Canada and Japan.

During the year two girls joined the church. Many of the girls take a most active interest in the Christian Endeavor, which, under the energetic guidance of Miss Burdick, plays a very real part in the spiritual life of the school.

In addition to the regular Monday afternoon meeting, a Sunday evening prayer meeting for members only, has been instituted, and is faithfully attended by the girls. Most of the fourth year, and a large part of the third, sing in the church choir. Four of the fourth year girls conduct, very successfully, a Sunday School in the village. Morning prayers, attended by the whole school, are in Japanese, while evening prayers for the dormitory pupils are in either Japanese or Formosan.

It is of interest that this year fully fifty per cent. of the second year class are Christian girls, many of them third generation Christians, and two of them daughters of former Girls' School graduates. Three more of the girls are daughters of former pupils of the school who left without graduating.

Women's School.—For several reasons, the enrollment of the Women's School during 1934 has not been as large as we would wish, the average number enrolled being 13. Five were baptized and admitted to the Church; six received school certificates, one of these becoming a Bible woman and another expects to enter the nurses' training class of Mackay Memorial Hospital.

Miss Burdick, upon her return to Formosa, after furlough, has again assumed her capable principalship of the Women's School.

Kindergartens.—Although Miss Adams, efficient Supervisor of Kindergartens, was absent from the field for most of the year, on furlough, studying at Columbia University; and later in Tokyo studying the Japanese language, the six kindergartens have been in operation, some 200 pupils receiving instruction. Over 90 graduated from the kindergartens during the year, all entering the public primary schools, where Japanese is the language taught. Parents of the kindergarten pupils have been visited by Bible women and preachers, many becoming interested in the study of the Bible.

When Miss Adams returned from furlough, she formed a class for kindergarten teachers, to whom she imparted some of the knowledge and enthusiasm she had gained through her studies at Columbia University.

Nursing Staff, Mackay Memorial Hospital.—The routine hospital services have been maintained although the foreign staff was lacking two nurses. Since August, Miss Hermanson, with four native graduate and seventeen native pupil nurses comprised the staff. During the year three nurses graduated, two resigned to be married.

Hospital evangelism comprises regular teaching of Bible and Hymn Book in Roman letters; daily services in all departments and frequent talks and prayers at the bedside. Not only the patients but their visiting friends hear the gospel message. One of the Bible women visits the homes of discharged patients, thus continuing the teaching commenced in the hospital.

At Happy Mount Leprosy Colony, the presence of Mrs. Gushue-Taylor has meant much in comfort and confidence to the patients and tends to make them content in their segregation. The native nurse on the staff is a graduate of Mackay Hospital. The Church, the centre of activity, proves a great boon in the patients' community life. Regular services and prayer meetings are held. The first communion was a most solemn occasion.

We gratefully acknowledge the goodness of our Heavenly Father, Who has guided and blessed both work and workers throughout another year.

SOUTH CHINA

DOCTOR Jessie MacBean reports a difficult year for Hackett Hospital and College due to the world-wide depression, also the increasing number of doctors and non-Christian, but highly equipped, small hospitals in Canton. These two factors have meant a great reduction in their resources, also their patients. Four members of the foreign staff resigned in July, and the efficient Secretary went home on furlough —altogether a great blow to the work.

So far as her own department goes, three doctors have constituted her staff and they were able to improve on their work and increase their activities in Public Health work greatly. The maternity clinic including pre and post-natal clinics has grown satisfactorily and the baby clinic is also most encouraging. A new health clinic has been opened in a poor village near the Hospital. The medical students have a little day school in that village and allow them three rooms for the use of the clinic, the Hospital in turn attending to the health nursing in connection with the scholars. Hackett Branch helped with several health and educational exhibits during the year, being glad to co-operate in any measure that will speed the message ''Healthy mothers mean healthy babies, happy homes and a prosperous nation.''

The building of a new hospital so long hoped for, is still in the future, but thanks to the help given by the Superintendents of nursing, the rooms, devoted to the care of the mothers and babies, have been so improved that much more efficient work is possible. Doctor MacBean's particular work consists in, three Public Health Clinics a week, lectures to medical students, supervision of obstetrics in hospital, staff and committee work.

No report would be complete without reference to the religious activities of which Mrs. Hoffmann is in charge. The daily chapel service, the Sunday morning service, the short daily service in the hospital wards, the quiet Bible woman in dispensary and Health Clinic, the Y.W.C.A. are a real influence for good amongst the staff, nurses, students and patients; and in all three institutions a fine Christian influence is exhibited.

Mrs. Burkwall reports a year without any political disturbance. Banditry has been kept down, and it has been possible to travel freely throughout most of the country. But as in the medical, so in the evangelistic work of missions in South China, the world-wide depression has greatly hampered their progress. Many of the congregations have found it increasingly difficult to give their allotted share in the support of the work in their district. With exchange of money coming from missions abroad going down steadily, work has had to be considerably curtailed. However, owing to the liberality of wealthier Christians in the city churches, the work as a whole has progressed.

This being the 100th anniversary of the death of Doctor Robert Morrison, and as his body lies in Macao Protestant cemetery, the London Missionary Society requested that the Synod meet in Macao, and combine with it a memorial service for Doctor Morrison. There was an exceptionally large and representative attendance, and Mrs. Burkwall a member, writes, ''I am sure it was a good thing to have this large Protestant gathering in that old Roman Catholic city — the Monte Carlo of the East. . . It was a witness of better things and an encouragement to the

Protestant Churches there. The Women's Conference followed Synod and proved more satisfactory than usual. More responsibility is placed on the younger workers' year after year. One of the second generation missionaries, of whom we heard last year, gave a series of very good Bible studies; and a young Chinese woman, graduate of the Biblical Seminary, New York, and a fine teacher, took charge of the New Testament studies.''

Then came the Pooi-Ling meetings in July with many young people in attendance. The result is that many are now in Bible Schools preparing for service.

For part of the year, Mrs. Burkwall has given time each week to teaching in the Canton Bible Institute in which the Rev. Calvin Lee also teaches. Some of the pupils are being helped by our W.M.S. grant.

It is interesting to hear of a number of women workers whose names are becoming quite familiar to us, to whose training we have been able to contribute; of others paid by the London Mission, of others working voluntarily, who each year are continuing in and growing in the grace of God.

Mrs. Burkwall expresses regret that she cannot visit her old Shek Lung district oftener. To us it is amazing that she keeps in such close touch with the women workers there. Her home in Canton is always open to them and as we well know, to all Chinese returning from Canada to their own country.

MANCHURIA

AS the evangelistic work of our Church missionaries has prospered, more intensive work is now necessary. To this end, Mrs. Davis, Taonan, organized and is continuing the annual Short Term Bible School to train promising young women as workers, and to help others from isolated places where there are no Bible women, in the hope that they will give volunteer service when they return to their homes. Our grant to Manchuria makes this work possible; also the publishing of tracts and other simple forms of Christian Literature so eagerly sought by the Chinese.

Failing health has necessitated the return to Canada of the Rev. Doctor and Mrs. Goforth after an unparalleled record of missionary work for nearly half a century in China. Within a few days of their return, they both stood on the platform of one of our largest Churches declaring with their wonted fervor, what God had wrought and asking for reinforcements for the needy field of Manchuria. We rejoice that the Church has appointed the Rev. E. H. and Mrs. Johnson to Szepingkai.

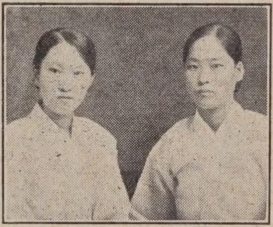
We are ready and willing to send additional workers when conditions warrant their going.

SHANGHAI

THE forty-seventh annual report of the Christian Literature Society for China, whose objective is to publish and distribute literature based on Christian principles, quickens our desire to increase the grant we send through Mrs. Donald MacGillivray, to the Children's Department. ''The ways in which the Christian Literature Society can give service are countless — one of its problems is how to increase its income. It seems a pity that when the need is great and the opportunity at hand, that its activities should be cramped.''

JAPAN

THE first month of 1934 found Miss MacLean leaving for Canada, having been suddenly called home because of the serious illness of her mother. She had the comfort of ministering to her until the summer when God took her home. The heartfelt sympathy of our members goes out to her in her bereavement.


Bible women in Osaka

Miss MacLean has addressed many meetings. She commends highly the faithful Bible women who are untiring in their efforts to win others to belief in Jesus, and feels much of their success is due to a firm and steadfast belief in prayer.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. Young is making a splendid recovery. She was taken ill on the way home to Canada. Most of her furlough has been spent in bed thus far, and though much better, she is quietly resting at her home in Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

Miss Anderson was called from her evangelistic work in Nagoya, to Kobe, to carry on the work Miss MacLean left so hurriedly. In starting her new work, Miss Anderson first visited the kindergarten schools. Each succeeding visit caused her to feel how abundantly worth while is the kindergarten school. Through these little ones the workers find a contact with the parents, the mothers being invited to evening gatherings for the children.

W.M.S. groups are increasing in membership. They do much to help with the salaries of Bible women, and are a real spiritual force in the churches. In many groups committees have been formed to visit other women regularly and tell them the good news of salvation. The motto for these mission groups this year is, ''I live yet not I, but Christ liveth in me.'' These words remind them that Christ must have possession of their hearts, and live in and through them, if they are to have power to lead others to Him.

During the year four churches were built, one being the long looked-for and prayed-for church in Nagoya. Since the opening, the congregation has increased.

The typhoon which swept Japan with its fury destroyed the church in Moribe, but this churchless group soon found a room for a meeting place, and already have almost the required amount of money necessary to build a new church.

During the summer Miss Anderson visited groups in the north, which as yet have never had a leader, though they meet on Sundays to pray and study the Bible. The needy cry of this northland has so appealed to the missionaries that they earnestly hope for financial aid to come soon, that a native pastor may go to this district.

One of the aims of this Mission is to build up a strong self-supporting church for Koreans in Japan. A long step toward the realization of this aim took place when the General Assembly of the Korean Church of Christ in Japan, was formed.

Since 1927, when Rev. and Mrs. Young took charge of this Mission, it has grown greatly so that many more native workers are necessary to keep pace with the Christian groups being formed each year. In regard to this Miss Anderson says, ''One fact that has been forcibly driven home to us in the year's work is, the many times we have been asked to place a pastor or Bible woman but, owing to lack of funds, could not do so. Continue to help us, we depend on your prayers, and ask you to remember especially this pressing need for more workers to meet the opportunity before us.''

Might your Secretary again remind our W.M.S. that one very pressing need for a worker is the medical missionary so long needed to work among the very poor mothers and children in the city of Osaka.

INDIA

CONTINUING the narrative of the years in another annual report your Secretary feels that 1934 has been outstanding in its helpfulness to her, through having so many of the India missionaries home on furlough. Miss Simpson returned early in the year and her health improved steadily after a period of complete rest at her home. Later she spent three months at the Training Home, taking the special course in evangelism. Miss Williamson came on her delayed furlough, travelling with Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Young, and romance having visited our Jhansi field resulted in Miss Moodie's home-coming and resignation. It is impossible to over-estimate the value of the deputation work done by these returned missionaries. In expressing to Miss Moodie (now Mrs.

Angus MacKay) our appreciation of the very fine work she did for us during her short term in India, our regret at losing her from our staff is tempered by the knowledge that she is returning as the wife of a missionary of our Church.

We were fortunate in being able to appoint Miss Ida McSparron, B.A., in Miss Moodie's place on our Jhansi teaching staff, and to be able to send her out in the autumn with Miss McConnell.

The welcome prepared for Miss McConnell when she returned to Jobat was a testimony to the place she had won in the hearts of the people of Jobat. The course she had taken at Hartford Hospital has proved invaluable as it enables her to give to the doctors the assistance of a graduate anæsthetist. An interesting ceremony in December, attended by state officials, was the turning of the sod for the new buildings, the maternity ward and the Mary Broadbent Training Home. Miss Bessie M. MacMurchy in reporting her first complete year in the Hospital emphasizes how inevitably the ministry of healing is bound up with the gospel and teaching of Jesus Christ. Miss MacMurchy also held classes in Bible study for Christian women and Sunday School for children.

Some women who came one day to see Jobat Hospital

Miss Douglas is justly proud of the Jobat school begun by her three years ago with a few tiny tots in kindergarten and now numbering 35 with four teachers. Early in the year she camped out in nearby villages with some Bible women. During the later months, April and May, spent in Toran Mall she helped with special classes for new Christians, in these ways fitting herself for the greater responsibilities placed upon her when in the autumn she was appointed by Council as supervisor of village schools, with a view to their further development.

Miss Errey sends a very fine report of the ''M. G. Abey Memorial'' Children's Nursing Home. Five of the older children were promoted to the hostel and school but other little ones soon came to fill their places. Seventy-one sick patients were treated in 1934 and only a few of these were adults, members of Christian families whose sudden severe illness made nursing care imperative. Elizabeth-bai can always give assistance when required and Jumni-bai, Ruth (a senior girl), and Chetu the gardener and general helper complete the staff of assistants. Two large separate verandahs have been completely screened and made wonderful sleeping quarters. We have every hope of installing electricity in the building in the near future, using towards this purpose some money that has been given for a memorial to Miss Soutar.

Miss Maxwell remained in Amkhut after Miss Williamson left, taking over the duties of treasurer very efficiently and sharing in the activities of the school, especially Bible study with the boys and girls.

Miss Sherrick reports 150 pupils and 13 teachers in the Amkhut school. Miss Sherrick spent six months at Landour, taking first year language examinations in June, which she passed with honors. In October she began full time teaching in the Amkhut school, but later was able to hand over some of the English and Hindi classes to the pundit so she could devote more time to her own study and the general work of the school.

Dr. and Mrs. Buchanan are to be congratulated on having their daughter Ruth with them and we hear of night school and Sunday School classes, choir work, Dorcas Societies and poultry raising as a few of the ways in which she is helping.

Jhansi.—Helen Macdonald School. July, 1934, began a new school year with 155 pupils enrolled and boys were admitted up to 3rd class. The boarders are all from Christian families but a few of the day-pupils are non-Christian, and whereas formerly these have been of coolie class, this year a number of better class children have been admitted. On account of overcrowding 26 small girls were temporarily removed to the orphanage but this is only until the new hostel is ready. There were some changes in the teaching staff, five new teachers being engaged, and one of the best of these is Lily Mary Lall, daughter of Manki-bai, the matron. In March five girls wrote Government middle school examinations, and three of these passed with honors. One important forward step was the opening of the 7th grade or high school classes with 7 girls enrolled. Guide and Bluebird groups have been stimulated by the help of a Girl Guide commissioner, now resident in Jhansi, who organized a successful Leaders' Training Camp which some of our teachers and senior girls attended. These are also continuing in Sunday School work with the non-Christians with the help of Miss Stringer and Miss McKechnie.

This year in the dispensary 79 in-patients were treated and 12,506 out-patients, the latter being an increase of nearly 5,000. The majority of in-patients were from the Boys' School and were malaria cases. There were many non-Christians among the out-patients. The school boys and girls receive treatment free but for outsiders a small fee is charged. There were epidemics of mumps and whooping-cough in the cold weather but all recovered. Miriam-bai with her six years of nursing experience can be trusted in charge and to treat minor ailments though she always reports anything of a serious nature to Miss McKechnie, who looks forward to combining evangelistic and medical work when Miss Simpson returns.

Grace-bai continues a faithful careful mother to the children in the orphanage and has a new helper in Jesoda-bai, a newly baptized Christian.

Baragoan.—Dr. Thurrott and Miss Whatling have been working together and both concentrating on evangelistic work, visiting villages where Miss Whatling worked during her first term and finding much encouragement in the fact that the people remembered her teaching and were eager to learn more about Jesus. Later they concentrated in work at Baragoan where Sopie-bai, a trained nurse with a most winning personality looked after all their sick patients. Two new Sunday Schools were organized with an attendance of 128, many of these being adults, and a regular Sunday church service has been started which is creating much interest.

Although our touch with Ludhiana Medical College and St. Christopher's Training Home is only made through small annual grants, our interest and cooperation are much appreciated, and it is gratifying to report steady advancement in the work of these very important centers.

Our prayer is that through our efforts and with God's blessing many more of the women and children of India may know Jesus ere another year closes.

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

VACATION time is at hand. It is the one time of the year when many of us try to catch up with our reading. Books are required at the cottage for the boys and girls who face a rainy day. Leaders will absorb inspiration for the fall programmes and will no doubt desire to see many of the new helps. A number of these will be shown at Sectional meetings. If you cannot go, ask the delegates to bring home a supply.

THE BOYS' LIFE OF CHRIST by Forbush, is a very special choice for boys from six to sixteen. Large type, well bound and thrillingly told, this is a real bargain at 75c, and a book a boy will really enjoy reading.

FAVORITE HYMNS, a nice collection of the old favorite hymns with music, to sing around the campfire. Well bound at 75c each.

THE BOOK OF PRAISE is also in stock, at all prices.

GEISTER GAMES—including mixers, musical games, indoor games, picnic and refreshment ideas. Price $1.50, and well worth it for programme ideas.

SPECIAL PRAYERS for Young Women. This is a neat little book of prayers for use in both home and Auxiliary.

FAMILY PRAYERS is a new book for guidance in prayer life in the home. It is invaluable, and inexpensive at 10c per copy.

THE SUCCESSFUL YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY, by Catherine Miller, is a well known book of excellent ideas which can be adapted to programmes of any youthful groups. Price $1.75.

THE JEW AND WORLD FERMENT, by Basil Mathews—the best you could read on world Jewry. In paper 60c.

NOTICE: MIRACLE LIVES OF CHINA, by Dr. and Mrs. Goforth is now in stock, and available in paper cover at 35c per copy. This is the first time this edition has been published at this price. Cloth copies are also carried at $1.25.

One With The Infinite

ONE with the Infinite, always in tune,
Harmony sweet as a bird-song in June,
Never a doubting thought, never a fear,
Always a sense of the Fatherhood near.

Peace, like a river's flow, restful and calm,
Flooding the soul with its heavenly balm;
Faith upward gazing, untrammeled, serene,
Grasping with boldness the treasures unseen.

Love all unfolding in tenderness sweet,
Pity out-reaching a brother to greet,
Courage undaunted, o'ermastering, strong,
Doing the right and denying the wrong.

Gladness unspeakable, life understood,
Knowing that all things are working for good;
Heaven close-throbbing, assistance to give;
One with the Infinite — this is to live!

—*Emma Fisk-Smith.*

Prayer

''Come, my soul, thy suit prepare,
Jesus loves to answer prayer.''

OUR loving Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the Son of Thy love, Jesus Christ, through Whom Thou hast saved us with an eternal salvation, and by Whose precious blood we have access unto Thy Throne of Grace. We praise and thank Thee that Thou hast pitched our tent in a land within whose borders civil and religious rights are honored and maintained. We thank Thee for what our schools have meant in the past, through Thy over-ruling and providential care. Thou alone knowest what influence they will exert in the future. We beseech Thee O Lord to bless our missionaries at home and overseas, that they may speak fearlessly the Word of God and have power to impart their knowledge to the coming generations. Give them O Lord a keen, apt, and penetrating mind, to detect and refuse all false doctrine and belittling literature. We thank Thee as we receive the reports of our workers, of the past year, that we can see the effectual working of Thy Holy Spirit in the lives of those to whom they have ministered and that Thy name O God is magnified.

In loving devotion we do remember the Diamond Jubilee of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, of which we form a part. Hitherto Thou hast blessed her, investing her with high and noble aspirations, so that she was thoroughly furnished unto every good work to do Thy will. And now, O Lord, grant that Thy Church may emerge as the upper room company at Pentecost into the greatest revival history has ever recorded. There is nothing too hard for Thee. Graciously grant the request of her ministers and laymen and make this season opportune for the going forward of Thy Church's life and work, and we shall ascribe all the praise, honor and glory to Thee Father, Son and Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

''Whate'er the care which breaks thy rest,
Whate'er the wish that swells thy breast,
Spread before God that wish, that care,
And change anxiety to prayer.'' —*Anon.*

YOUNG WOMEN

WHY NOT NEW IDEAS?

All seed-sowing is a mysterious thing, whether the seed fall into the earth or into souls.—Amiel.

IT is always helpful to try new ways — or at least to know of experiments that have proved successful — and the Young Women's Auxiliaries might help one another if they would let others know of any new form of meeting they have tried with good results. If Secretaries would send a brief account to the ''Page'' of any particularly helpful type of meeting, it might serve to keep programmes from the ruts into which they are apt to fall. What, to one group may be so familiar as to be almost dull, may prove a brilliant innovation to another. And in new ways might we not capture an entirely different section of the young women of our congregation to the missionary enterprise, if we could by some means hit upon the exact contact needed to enlist their sympathies.

The following have been tried and found excellent. Try them.

Missionary Impersonations. Each member was given the name of some missionary. At roll call, each member stood up and gave as many details as possible of her worker. As each Mission Field was represented, a fairly complete picture of the whole work of the Society was presented.

Missionary Cutting Meeting. Each member brought an item of missionary news, or cutting from a newspaper or *Glad Tidings,* and read it aloud.

Curio Meeting. Each member brought some curio and told about it, its purpose and whence it came, then placed it on a table for inspection later.

Photograph Meeting. As many photographs of missionaries as could be obtained, were cut from *Glad Tidings* and pasted on cardboard, with the name affixed below on a piece of paper. The photos were passed around and each member wrote on her own piece of paper the field and special work of the missionary. Then the photos were passed around again with the names removed, and each one then wrote on her paper the name of the missionary. A number of photographs are necessary to make this interesting.

Missionary Life Meeting. One member read or told of the missionary's early days and training, another of her field of labor, another of methods of work, another of work accomplished and another summarized the character of the work.

The **different Religions** of the world were studied in brief and each member had to write a short paper on one religion.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

''THE WORLD IS MINE''

An Outdoor Service of Worship

Call to Worship:—''The heavens proclaim God's splendor, the sky speaks of His handiwork; day after day takes up the tale, night after night makes Him known.''

Group (sings softly). *Tune:* Gower's Litany.

''For the day that came from Thee,
Hours that entered silently;
Fashioned so exquisitely,
God of all, we thank Thee.

Unforgotten sky and hills,
Little roads that sunlight fills,
Joy that loveliness fulfills,
God of all, we thank Thee.''

Leader:—

''The world is mine; blue hills, still silver lake,
Broad field, bright flower, and the long white road;
A gateless garden, and an open path,
My feet to follow, and my heart to hold.''

Girl:—''Blue hills''—reminding us of God's might and power, and of His everlasting love.

''I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.
My help cometh from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.''
''The strength of the hills is His also.''

Leader:—''Still Silver lake''—in its peace and beauty it reminds us of the beauty of the Lord, and of the peace that comes to those Who do His will.

''The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want;
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, He leadeth me beside the still waters.

Girl:—''Broad field, bright flower—'' they remind us of God's care for all His creatures, they tell us that we should trust in Him.

''Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they toil not, neither do they spin, and yet I say unto you that even Solomon, in all his glory, was not arrayed like one of these.''

Leader:—''The long white road—'' showing us the road of life that we travel together, making it fairer if we journey ''in His steps.''

''Jesus said, ''I am the Way, the truth, and the life.''

''Prepare ye the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.''

Leader:—Knowing the joy and beauty that this day has brought to us, shall we with thankful hearts repeat together:—

(All):—''I believe in the wonder of the out of doors; in the inspiration of the stars.
I believe in the strength of the hills and the silence of the night, and in the music of birds and trees.
I believe that my body was made for action and my mind was made for thinking, and my heart was made for loving.''

''Dear Heavenly Father, we praise Thee for the glory and wonder of the out of doors, and for the happy hours spent together in Thine open house. Give us the eyes to see, and the heart to love, its beauty. Make our actions true and fine; our thoughts noble and right; our hearts loving and gentle—that the beauty of Thy world may be reflected in the beauty of our lives, and the world be fairer for our presence in it.'' Amen.

Group (sings softly):—

''For the night that comes from Thee,
Hours now entering silently,
Bringing peace and harmony,
God of all, we thank Thee.''

O. M. H.

MISSION BANDS

MISSION BAND PENNIES IN 1934

My dear Mission Banders:

MISS ERREY, our Mission Band nurse, has sent us the report of the M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home for 1934. As you know your Mission Band pennies support this entirely, and as it is your work I know you will want to hear last year's report.

Our Home is used for two purposes. One part is for sick children and sometimes grown-ups are taken in too. The other part is for babies and little children, who have no home of their own, and no one to look after them. Last year there were 73 sick people cared for in the Home, 54 of those were children. During the warm season there was quite an epidemic of whooping cough and Elizabeth-bai came and helped Miss Errey look after the children. The Home has two large front verandahs and last year these were both screened completely, so now the sick patients can sleep out of doors on their verandah, and the little children of the Home can sleep on theirs.

Little Musa saying "Salaam"

''Our little family,'' as Miss Errey calls the ''well'' children who live with her all the time, were very happy last year. For the first part of the year there were from ten to fourteen of them in the Home. Five of these boys and girls were in their fifth or sixth year and so they went to school every day and came back to the Home at night. During the rainy season these five, who were Shanti, Celus, Malon, Ji Singh and Amos, were promoted to the Boarding School.

This made the ''Little Family'' much smaller but soon others came to fill their places. In September there were two newcomers, a little girl about one year old from Alirajpur and a baby girl from Jobat. In November a little Bhil boy joined our family. He was very sick when he came because his mother was dead and his father ill, and there was no one to care for him. After a month of loving care in the Home he was almost better and Miss Errey hopes that in a few months more he will be quite strong again. Two more children came to our Home in December. One was a little Hindu girl about four months old, her parents did not want her; the other was a little girl of five years who came from Jobat.

These little ''well'' children are looked after by Jumni-bai the nurse, and Ruth, one of the older school girls helps her. Chetu is the new gardener and he does the general work around the Home and one of the bigger school boys carries the water. Miss Errey, our missionary nurse, is, of course, in charge.

This is just a little bit of the story of the work that Mission Band pennies did in 1934. There are many more little children in India and other countries waiting to be taken care of, so let us all try this year to save as many pennies as we can to help other little boys and girls in all parts of the world.

Affectionately yours,
Beatrice K. Riddell.

Leaders' Corner

THE STORY HOUR AT MISSION BAND (Part One)

THE main part of any Mission Band story hour is the story. Selecting her story is the first problem that confronts the leader. The factors which influence her choice will be her aim (or that which she wishes the story to teach) and the ages of the children to whom she will be speaking. If she has only information on hand, then that should be woven into story form in order to make it more interesting.

The children under school age — those who are in the Beginner's classes in Sunday School — think of God as Father. Stories to them should arouse an answering love in their hearts for Him; should lead them to go to God for protection; should inculcate moral ideas. Their missionary stories should aim to create a desire that all children might have and know this great Protector. The same class of stories are suitable also for Primary pupils, but because their experiences are wider since they are now going to school, they not only will think of God as Father, but this idea will be developed and extended to thoughts of obedience to and service for this heavenly Father. The Juniors, or those of ages eight to eleven years, are children to whom stories of wonderment and awe appeal.

They are hero-worshippers. At these ages boys learn by imitating persons rather than acts.

Our missionary work both at home and abroad is full of stories of love and protection for the Beginners; or of obedience to the voice of God and of service for Him for the Primary children; and of sacrifice and faith for the Juniors. The same story may be told to each group but emphasis should be given to the phase desired according to the age of the little audience. If it is not feasible to separate the children into these groups for the story, then the story-teller should try to bring out the different points to be emphasized to the three stages of development that will be among her banders. For instance, if the story of Dr. and Mrs. Goforth is being used, the points to emphasize to the Beginners — are the protection given to Dr. and Mr. Goforth in that foreign land by God because they are working for Him, and to the children in the new Christian homes because they now know about Jesus and are trying to do His will, the happiness that the new Christians and children in Manchuria have now because they know Him Who saves them. That which will appeal to the Primary group will be the obedience of Dr. and Mrs. Goforth to the call of God to go out into other lands and preach the Gospel, and their lifetime of service to Him even through failing health. The Juniors will listen in awe to the story of their work and its wonderful progress and results and to the story of their adventures.

—Miss Ethel McCutcheon, Saskatoon, Sask.

(Part two of this article will appear in the July-August issue.)

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

Mrs. J. M. Moodie, 2719, 14th St. W., Calgary, Press Secretary

Annual Meeting

WITH Mrs. F. W. Allott presiding at all sessions, the 21st annual meeting of Alberta Provincial Society convened in First Church, Edmonton, April 9th, 10th, 11th.

Delegates were present from Claresholm, Macleod, Calgary, Red Deer, Innisfail, Vermilion, Williowdale and Rocky Mountain House, as well as from the city churches.

The opening session commenced with a vesper service conducted by Mrs. D. G. McQueen, Mrs. H. E. Walker, of Edmonton, giving the devotional address. Honoring the memory of Miss M. C. G. Fraser, Editor of the *Glad Tidings,* an impressive memorial service was held under the direction of Mrs. G. W. Scott, *Glad Tidings* Secretary, who spoke of Miss Fraser's great contribution to our missionary cause.

At the banquet in the evening, Dr. A. R. Osborn, the guest speaker, chose ''Peace'' as his topic, emphasizing the fact, that the time had come when the church, as well as the nation, must be prepared. Dr. F. D. Roxborough brought greetings from the Synod, saying he represented 33 ministers and 51 different fields.

Three minute reports were given by the Presbyterial Presidents and Mrs. J. H. Harback, of Macleod, spoke of the great need for ministers or deaconesses in that district. A resolution that some steps be taken to give assistance to the work in the South district, was later presented.

The Tuesday evening session was devoted to the work of the young people. The Mission Band report by Mrs. R. V. Lancaster showed 43 Bands in the province, an increase of 7, with a membership of 858, an increase of 45. The Young Women's Department reported by Mrs. R. L. Freeman have 174 members with 11 Societies, an increase of 2 Societies. These Societies sent $290 to the Provincial Treasurer. The 33 Girls' Organizations with 472 members, contributed $81.30 in givings. There were 107 Presbyterians attending the University of Alberta this year, 58 from outside points, was the report of the Student Secretary, Mrs. C. McCleary. A patriotic sketch, ''Canada for Christ,'' was cleverly portrayed by the ''Sincerity'' Group of Rupert Street Church, and a chorus by the Westmount Girls closed the evening session.

On Wednesday morning a spirited and lengthy discussion was given on Mission Band work. The importance of this department of our work was stressed. Every encouragement should be given to keep the interest of the children in all missionary endeavors. The Welcome and Welfare report by Mrs. T. L. Walker revealed many names received and visits made to newcomers and hospitals. The Library report by Mrs. N. B. Moors showed 3,429 pounds of literature, which included Bibles, hymnals, books and magazines sent to settlers in isolated districts, and many letters of appreciation had been received. Books were also sent to help augment the libraries of our deaconesses. Mrs. G. W. Scott reported a circulation of 661 for the *Glad Tidings* magazine and also reported $260 sent to Toronto from the Literature department. The Treasurer, Mrs. J. A. Clark, reported the allocation had been exceeded. Mrs. C. E. Lasher reported that all the Auxiliaries, Young Women's organizations, C.G.I.T. Groups and Mission Bands responded splendidly to the request for supplies. Bales of good clothing, blankets, quilts, layettes, Christmas gifts and books were sent to Vegreville, Grand Prairie, Dixonville, Brownvale, Wanham and Pouce Coupe. Mrs. R. McRae reported a slight decrease from last year in Home Helpers, many members having joined the Auxiliaries. Many requests for Lantern Slides had been made during the year.

Outstanding work is being done by our deaconesses in the North, Miss M. Todd, of Brownvale, and Miss Frieda Matthews, of Red Deer, who attended the conference and gave addresses. They told of difficulties encountered, but the fine spirit of co-operation and self-sacrifice shown them, brought joy to their work. Miss Matthews exhibited some very clever scrap-books and a beautiful embroidered quilt made by her Mission Band workers at Willowdale.

The President, Mrs. F. W. Allott, in her annual address, gave a message of hope and encouragement, when she told of the progress made by the Society during the year. She spoke of the splendid work of our deaconesses, the assistance many of the rural school teachers are giving and the spirit of optimism shown, when she visited the different Auxiliaries during the year.

In closing our report for another year, let us remember the message Miss Todd gave in one of her addresses to ''Consecrate ourselves to the Lord, and He will abundantly bless our work.''

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. W. J. SMITH, BOX 138, ARMSTRONG, PRESS SECRETARY

VICTORIA P.S.—The delegates who attended the Provincial meeting in Vancouver report splendid meetings and feel greatly encouraged to face the missionary problems of the new year.

Victoria Presbyterial was greatly blessed and honored by a visit from Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Goforth on their return home in February. Mrs. Goforth spoke to a large mass meeting of women in St. Andrew's Church, Victoria. She also spoke Sunday evening from St. Andrew's pulpit. Her bright and cheerful message will linger long in the minds of those fortunate enough to hear her. We do pray for God's richest blessing on their remaining years at home.

The Presbyterial was also very fortunate in having Miss Laura K. Pelton visiting and speaking in our various Auxiliaries. We feel sure we have all been greatly benefited by her stay with us.

The World Day of Prayer was held this year in First United Church, with a large audience of women present. Many of our Presbyterian women took part in the service.

Westminster P.S.—The Easter Thank-offering of Kerrisdale Auxiliary was held recently in the Church hall, with Mrs. R. M. Thomson in the chair. Miss Laura Pelton was guest speaker and her address was followed by a musical programme. An interesting item was the presentation of a Life Membership certificate and pin to Mrs. Duncan A. Smith.

Fairview Auxiliary held its annual Home Helpers meeting in April. The attendance was most encouraging and in token of welcome each

Home Helper received a pretty nosegay of violets. The devotional period, in which a number took part, was helpful and inspiring, the subject being ''Joy''. The Provincial W.M.S. banner, recently donated, was displayed and with the bright spring flowers made the hall most attractive. A most appropriate address was given by Rev. Walter Ellis, M.A., who spoke of ''those women who labored with Paul in the gospel.'' He stressed the fact that while at the present time, some doors in the foreign field are being closed to us, there are increasing numbers being opened here at home and it is our duty and privilege to build up our own Church to the best of our ability.

MANITOBA

MRS. GEORGE REYNOLDS, 218 YOUNG STREET, WINNIPEG, PRESS SECRETARY

Annual Meeting

THE 21st annual meeting of the Manitoba Provincial Society was held in St. James Presbyterian Church, Winnipeg, on March 27th and 28th. Mrs. J. S. Flook, President, presided at all sessions.

The meeting was constituted with the call to worship by the President. Devotions were in charge of the three Presbyterials, Brandon, Superior, Winnipeg, and the evening meeting by the Synod of Manitoba.

Greetings were brought by Mrs. R. O. Taylor, Anglican W.M.S.; Mrs. E. Bayne, United W.M.S.; Mrs. C. Graham, Baptist W.M.S.; Miss Bessie MacMurchy, President of the W.M.S. (W.D.); and R. J. Cowans, Boissevain, Moderator of Synod, who wished the Society every success in all it did in the name of Christ.

Short messages were brought from the three Presbyterials, Mrs. Gray representing Brandon; Mrs. Cundy, Superior, and Mrs. George Leckie, Winnipeg. The joy of service permeated these addresses. The President, in her address, spoke of the consciousness of the guiding presence of God during 1934 and the closer interest and sympathy of the workers of the W.M.S. The Mission Band, of St. John's Church, put on a sketch, ''The Call to Arms'', which was greatly appreciated, the audience joining with them in singing hymn 373.

The special speaker of the evening session was our President, Miss Bessie MacMurchy, who told us many things would be left undone if the women did not do them. Her plea was for a larger membership.

Rev. E. H. Lockhart, Principal of the Birtle Indian Residential School, gave a very stirring address on his work at Birtle. The boys there are in school half a day, the other half day being spent in industrial instruction and farming methods, and the girls in domestic accomplishments.

Miss Hazel MacDonald, our new deaconess, pictured the life in and around Peace River and Prince Albert. Needs in this district in which she was working are very great, clothing particularly being needed.

Mrs. W. H. McDonald, Treasurer, reported having sent $3,500 to Toronto, and expressed a wish that this amount would be larger next year. Mrs. Nevin McWilliams gave the dedicatory prayer.

Mrs. Digby Wheeler gave a very hearty welcome to the delegates, Mrs. Edwards of Superior responding. Mrs. R. F. Rorke was chairman during the election of officers, after which Miss MacMurchy installed the officers by prayer. Mrs. Ewan MacKenzie, in her closing words, said, we can only touch the New Canadians, the older folk are shut away from us by their inability to understand our language. During the luncheon hour Mrs. William McKay gave a very fine address on ''The Open Door.''

The reports from all departments were most encouraging — $683 had been raised for Supplies; 2,437 visits made by Welcome and Welfare; 40 Mission Bands with 923 members raised $530; 23 'Teen-age Girls' Organizations with 314 members raised $67.80; and 121 Young Women gave $299.07 to the treasury; 150 pounds of magazines and large bundles of books were sent to mining camps, hospitals and outside posts; through the Exchange department a number of valuable papers had been gathered, and there was an increase of 3 Life Memberships. Mrs. Peter Kee, Corresponding Secretary, reported 3 Presbyterials, 35 Auxiliaries, 7 Associate Societies, with a membership of 787.

ONTARIO

MRS. J. R. SANDERSON, 166 HAMMERSMITH AVE., TORONTO, PRESS SECRETARY

Annual Meeting

KNOX CHURCH, Toronto, fraught with memories of momentous occasions in the life of our Society and Church, was again the scene of an enthusiastic gathering when 710 women from many parts of the Province registered for the 21st annual meeting of Ontario Provincial Society, April 9th, 10th, 11th.

Mrs. J. A. Hilts presided. Rev. J. G. Inkster, D.D., minister of the Church, in his opening remarks expressed a host's pleasure in his guests. Dr. A. S. Grant spoke of the work in the early days. Rev. J. B. Cropper, D.D., British Guiana, in his address, outlined the history, conditions, and many needs of the people there. Rev. J. Goforth, D.D., known to the natives as the ''man with the Book,'' pressed the claim for more workers in Manchuria. Other ministers were Rev. H. A. Berlis, Rev. J. A. Mustard, Toronto, and Rev. J. C. Davies, Willowdale. Scripture readings and prayers throughout the sessions were exhortations to faith, courage and service.

At the opening session Mrs. Hilts paid tribute to the late Miss M. C. G. Fraser, whose favorite hymn, ''Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand,'' was sung. Then followed a memorial service, conducted by Mrs. W. I. McLean, Hamilton, and Mrs. D. Ewart, Cobourg, for our late Honorary President, Mrs. M. B. McQuesten, and Mrs. G. F. Clark, Finance Secretary, who were called to higher service during the year.

Mrs. V. A. Smith, President of Toronto Presbyterial, cordially welcomed the members of the Provincial Society to Toronto.

Our President's address with its ''Lights and Shadows'' brought home to each member her individual responsibility and its promise that sunshine is brighter when shadows have passed.

It would indeed take an able pen to describe the fascinating scenes portraying the past seventy years' history of the Society and the ultimate triumph of peace over war, in ''The Shining Years,'' presented Tuesday night by the young people of Toronto Presbyterial, directed by Miss S. V. Scott. The graceful ''Spirits of the Past'' imprinted on the minds of their audience a picture that will remain vivid when the written word might be forgotten. Mrs. John D. Holman, Toronto, and Miss Laura K. Pelton, Montreal, are co-authors of this clever work, written especially for the 70th anniversary of the Society, held in Montreal last year.

The financial hour, under the able care of Mrs. C. H. Thorburn, was one of inspiration and should result in larger credits to the general fund.

Mrs. Angus MacKay, home from India, speaking Wednesday afternoon, related many interesting facts on the work and people in India.

Miss MacMurchy, President of the Council, praised the stirring activities among the young and suggested we consider the homely truths of the negro minstrels: ''This ain't no time to be backslidin', oh my Lord''; ''It's only me that needs a'savin', oh my Lord;'' ''It's Satan stealing my joy away, oh my Lord.''

Presbyterial and Provincial reports were interesting and discussions helpful.

Mrs. D. T. L. McKerroll presided at the election and installation of officers. The changes in officers are as follows: Mrs. T. E. Langford, Home Helpers Secretary for the past 17 years, is succeeded by Mrs. W. A. Talbot, Toronto, Mrs. Langford remains on the Board as President of Paris Presbyterial; Mrs. G. A. Perry, Life Membership Secretary for the past five years, we regret to say, has retired from the Board and is succeeded by Mrs. K. N. Cooper, Collingwood; Lantern Slides Secretary, Mrs. E. F. Perry, Toronto; Supply Secretary, Mrs. K. B. Schroeder, Toronto; Assistant Supply Secretary, Mrs. James Anderson, Toronto; Young Women's Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Ekins, Hespeler; Finance Secretary, Mrs. C. Steedsman, Leamington; Mrs. L. B. Beath, Toronto, is assistant to Mrs. H. M. Coulter, Girls' Organizations Secretary. New members without portfolio are, Mrs. C. R. Peckover, Mrs. Donald Martin, Toronto; Miss M. E. Tier, Stratford; and Mrs. R. C. Campbell, Woodstock.

Our Deaconess graduates were presented by Mrs. D. Inglis Grant, each one telling in a few words her anticipation of her work. Miss M. Weir, R.N., Miss R. Heighton, B.A., and Miss O. Davies, B.A., are under appointment to foreign service. Miss M. Booth and Miss M. Ross may enter the work at home.

Delightful music was rendered by soloists and Knox Church choir. Monday evening the Board of Management and Corresponding Secretaries were supper guests of Knox Church Auxiliary. Thursday afternoon, at the close of the meeting, officers and delegates enjoyed the birthday party tendered by Toronto Presbyterial. The large cake was cut by the President, Mrs. Hilts. Tea was poured by Mrs. Wm. Rochester, Mrs. W. A. McLennan, past Presidents; Mrs. Thomas Eakins and Mrs. Thomas McMillan. Madame Maria Karinska, a convert to the Christian faith under Dr. Goforth, sang several selections during the tea hour.

The Provincial Society is invited to meet in Knox Church, Ottawa, next year.

Meaford Auxiliary, Barrie P.S., honored a faithful member, Mrs. George Paterson, with a Life Membership. Mrs. Paterson during her nine years as Secretary has only missed two meetings. Midland Auxiliary entertained the Home Helpers when sixty-five sat down to a bountiful supper followed by a musical programme. Penetanguishene Auxiliary had a birthday party at the home of Mrs. S. C. Carter, when birthday bags containing an offering for the expense fund were handed in. Mrs. Carter spoke on the work of the Society and Mrs. Cotton on the ''Power of Prayer.'' At work meetings readings from ''In the Steps of the Master'' are enjoyed. Collingwood Auxiliary Easter Thank-offering meeting was addressed by Mrs. J. H. Eaton, Orillia, followed with a musical programme. At the Easter meeting of Thornbury-Clarksburg Auxiliary many members took part.

Chatham Presbyterial have decided to organize the Presbyterial into five sections. Rev. Jonathan Goforth, D.D., addressed the Auxiliary of First Church, Chatham. Duart Auxiliary held an Easter post card shower for a former minister, Rev. C. Upham. Ridgetown Y.W.A. presented a doll dressed in many handkerchiefs to their Secretary, Miss Ethel McLean, who enters training in Toronto General Hospital.

The Sloan Auxiliary, Parkdale Church, Toronto, had as guest speaker at their Easter meeting, Miss MacMurchy, President of the Council. A portrait of the late Miss Fraser, a loved member of this Auxiliary, was unveiled by Miss J. Parsons, co-worker for many years with Miss Fraser. Mrs. D. Strachan presented the Auxiliary with the Honorary Membership certificate given to Miss Fraser some years ago by the Auxiliary. This will hang with the portrait in the Church parlors. The Auxiliary took this opportunity to present to Mrs. F. G. Vesey an Honorary Membership, in memory of Miss Fraser.

QUEBEC

MRS. J. D. ANDERSON, 108 ELLICE ST., BEAUHARNOIS, PRESS SECRETARY

MONTREAL P.S.—The visit of Rev. Luther L. Young, D.D., to the Executive of Montreal Presbyterial, April 18th, was an occasion of real joy and blessing. He acknowledged the valued support of the Women's Missionary Societies, throughout Canada, to his work among the Koreans in Japan, and showed interesting views of actual conditions among the people to whom he has ministered so faithfully. Rev. A. M. Hill introduced Dr. Young.

The meeting was largely attended and was presided over by Mrs. W. E. Baker, Presbyterial President. The opening exercises were taken by the Outremont Auxiliary. Reports were stimulating. The Treasurer's statement showed receipts of $2,382.88, of which $2,200 had been forwarded to the Provincial Treasurer. The Exchange Secretary reported considerable activity in her department; 17 papers on varied subjects are at present available for distribution. The Literature Department reported a slight increase over last year, with total sales up to the present of $209. The *Glad Tidings* Secretary reported 1,368 subscriptions. Progress was also reported by the Secretaries of the Home Helpers and Girls' Organization Departments. At the meeting three out-of-town Auxiliaries were represented, with eighteen from the city of Montreal and four Young Women's Auxiliaries.

Mrs. A. W. Pae, past President of the Presbyterial, was honored during the course of the meeting by an Honorary Life Membership, the gift of the Presbyterial, the presentation being made by Mrs. Charles Johnson.

On Easter Monday Mission Bands in Montreal and district under the supervision of Mrs. George Stevenson, Mission Band Secretary, with 352 children representing 17 Churches contributed to an Easter programme of choruses, playlets, group recitations and a pageant, in Kildonan Hall. The assistant Secretary, Miss Lillian Morton, aided Mrs. Stevenson in arrangement and direction of the presentations by the eager little ones, ranging in age from just over three to about fourteen. Mrs. W. E. Baker, President of Montreal Presbyterial, presented the Banner to Outremont, Maisonneuve and St. Matthew's, prize-winning Montreal Mission Bands. Out-of-town Mission Bands, Athelstan and Beauharnois, received the Banner from Miss C. E. Cameron, President of the Quebec Provincial Board. Other Bands represented were First Presbyterian, Verdun, Kensington, Chinese, St. Andrew and St. Paul, Scott Memorial, Montreal West, St. Lambert, Melville, MacVicar Memorial, Fairmount Taylor, and Kydd Memorial Churches.

New Lantern Slide Secretary

Mrs. J. H. Currie, 3648 Durocher Ave., Montreal.

SASKATCHEWAN

MRS. E. G. D. MACEACHERN, 1934 VICTORIA AVE., REGINA, PRESS SECRETARY

PRINCE ALBERT P.S.—St. James Church Auxiliary, Melfort, celebrated its 20th anniversary on March 14th. The President, Mrs. Cruickshank, welcomed the guests. Greetings were read from Mrs. A. E. Mitchell, who organized the Society in March 1915; and from Mrs. Hawke and Mrs. Wild, two charter members. A report of the history and the officers of the Society was given by Mrs. H. A. McEwen, who is the only active charter member. The address of the afternoon was given by the minister, Rev. Mr. Detlor. He spoke from the parable of ''The Lost Sheep and the Seeking Shepherd''. The Mission Band provided a chorus and a duet.

Saskatoon P.S.—All Auxiliaries were represented at the annual meeting of Saskatoon Presbyterial. The President, Mrs. M. Grant, was in charge of all sessions. The different Secretaries reported on the work of their departments. It was encouraging to learn of the enthusiasm being taken by the young people in the different branches of church work. Special mention was made of St. Andrew's Young Women's Auxiliary, Saskatoon. Professor R. McMillman of Emmanuel College addressed the evening meeting. He spoke informally of his experiences during the seventeen years which he spent as a missionary in Japan, and described the changes that Christianity has made in the school, the home and the church in Japan. Rev. Leonard Webster and Rev. W. J. Pellow, Parkview, assisted with the evening's meeting. Ernest Chan, a Chinese student at the University, sang very beautifully.

Mrs. H. R. Horne, Provincial President, addressed the meeting on the theme ''Trust and Obey''. Mrs. Horne stated that the Missionary Societies had done more for world peace than any other organization except perhaps the League of Nations.

Impressive services were held by St. Andrew's Auxiliary, Saskatoon, and First Presbyterian Church, Regina, in loving memory of the late Miss Mamie C. G. Fraser.

Miss L. Simpson has been visiting and addressing meetings in Moose Jaw and Regina Presbyterials. While in Regina Miss Simpson addressed the Mission Bands of First Presbyterian and Northside Churches; Northside Auxiliary and Young Women's Auxiliary, Eastview; First Presbyterian Sunday Schools and First Church Auxiliary, at their Thank-offering.

Treasurer's Statement

April 30th, 1935

RECEIPTS

Misses Peters and Mayne, Canton, Ont.	$ 1.75
Miss Jenkins, Toronto, "Leper Work"	1.00
Rent of Bungalow in Japan from Eastern Division	30.00
Refund on Insurance	38.70
Refund from Vegreville Residence	411.00
Government Grant for "Cecilia Jeffrey"	4,979.95

PROVINCIAL GIVINGS:

Alberta	130.40
British Columbia	925.00
Manitoba	236.85
Ontario	8,150.00
Quebec	950.00
Saskatchewan	225.00
	$16,083.65

DISBURSEMENTS

Hospitals:	
South Porcupine	$ 250.00
Canora	364.16
Vegreville	240.00
Chinese Work in Canada	795.88
"Cecilia Jeffrey" Indian School	608.32
Government Grant for "Cecilia Jeffrey"	4,979.95
Birtle Indian School	599.50
Mistawasis Indian Day School	50.00
Presbyterian Residences:	
Huntingdon	222.10
Prince Albert	79.16
New Liskeard	66.66
Saskatoon	68.33
Vegreville	295.83
Welcome and Welfare	1,162.27
Publications	734.79
Organization	463.75
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Editorial

MRS. W. A. MACLENNAN, of Toronto, has been elected President of the Women's Missionary Society (W.D.) of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. The election took place in the Board Room of Knox College on Tuesday morning, June 18th. Mrs. MacLennan succeeds Miss Bessie MacMurchy, who has given notable service for three years and whose retirement through illness is a matter of deep regret.

The President elect brings to this important office a wide experience, having been a Vice-President of the Board for five years, and acting during the past year as Welcome, Welfare and Deaconess Secretary. Mrs. MacLennan was a member of the Ontario Provincial Board for fifteen years, serving four of these as President. She was also President of Lindsay Presbyterial for five years, and has held Auxiliary, Young Women's and Mission Band offices. Mrs. MacLennan is a former member of St. Andrew's Church, Lindsay, Ontario. In addition to her other gifts, she is a talented speaker, and an excellent presiding-officer.

Mrs. W. A. MacLennan

Changes in Executive Officers

THE list of officers for 1935-36 appears on the inside front cover of this issue. We would take this opportunity of referring briefly to the changes in Secretaryships which have taken place during the past year.

First, was the resignation of Miss Muriel Gray, who served for nine years as Girls' Organizations Secretary. Her Secretaryship was taken over by Mrs. John Kelman, an outstanding worker and leader of girls in Toronto Presbyterial.

The second resignation was that of Mrs. C. W. McMullen, Welcome and Welfare and Deaconess Secretary since 1926. Mrs. McMullen brought to her office those gifts essential to such a post. Under her wise guidance the foundations of this department were well and truly laid. Another distinct loss is the withdrawal, on account of ill-health, of Mrs. R. J. Fady, who was for three years Recording Secretary, and during the past year, assistant Corresponding Secretary.

Announcement is made of the election of three new members to the Council Executive, Mrs. W. H. Mitchell, for several years Corresponding Secretary of Ontario Provincial; Mrs. W. W. Carter, formerly Library Secretary of Ontario Provincial, and Mrs. A. E. Stevens an experienced Mission Band Leader.

While we are delighted to welcome the new members to Council Executive, we will ever remember in appreciation those who have shared the responsibility of office.

Chinese Girl Wins Honors

IT is a pleasure to announce that at the recent graduation exercises of the Women's College Hospital, Toronto, Miss Lilyan Esther Leung was awarded the Board of Governors Scholarship and the prizes for Surgical Technique, Practical Nursing and Nursery Care. By means of a Special Trust Fund the W.M.S. was able to bring Miss Leung from Victoria to continue her education in Toronto, where for two and a half years she lived at the Deaconess Home. Miss Leung expects to do nursing in China but will first equip herself more completely by acting for a year as assistant nurse in the new operating room of the Women's College Hospital, following a well-earned holiday in Victoria. Later her scholarship will give her a post-graduate course in nursing at the University of Toronto. The Women's Missionary Society is proud of her success and will follow her career with interest and affection.—*E.E.C.*

Designated to Manchuria

AN impressive service was held in Melville Church, Westmount, Quebec, June 13th, when Rev. E. H. and Mrs. Johnson were designated as missionaries to Manchuria, under the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

The service was presided over by Rev. W. Orr Mulligan. The Right Rev. D. T. L. McKerroll, D.D., Moderator of the General Assembly, read the Scripture; Rev. F. Scott MacKenzie, Moderator of the Presbytery of Montreal, conducted the designation; Rev. A. S. Grant, D.D., Secretary, General Board of Missions, Rev. James MacKay, D.D., Chairman of Board of Missions and Rev. Jonathan Goforth, D.D., also took part in the service.

During a social hour at the close of the service, a suitcase and first-aid kit were presented to Mr. Johnson, a motor picnic basket to Mrs. Johnson, and a bouquet of roses to Mrs. Johnson, Senior.

Congratulations

THE election in Montreal of Rev. D. T. L. McKerroll, D.D., as Moderator of the General Assembly is of particular interest to the membership of the Women's Missionary Society in that the Moderator's wife, Mrs. McKerroll, is the Secretary of Indian work, and a former President. Our warmest congratulations go out to the Moderator and his wife in the honor which has come to them, and our entire membership will remember them in prayer as the Moderator faces his new responsibilities.

Leave of Absence

AT the closing ceremonies of Miss Dickson's Chinese Kindergarten, Montreal, Miss Hattie Jue, who has been granted leave of absence to spend a year in China, was presented with a beautiful suitcase. Miss Jue has been for several years a valuable worker under the W.M.S. among the Chinese women and children in Montreal. At the enlarged meeting of the Provincial, June 18th, Miss Jue was presented with parting gifts by Provincial and Presbyterial Executives.

League of Nations

MRS. J. R. HILL, President of Ottawa Presbyterial, represented the Council Executive at the annual meeting of the League of Nations Society in Ottawa. In her report Mrs. Hill says, ''With about sixty delegates from the nine provinces the meetings opened Friday, May 31st. The guest speakers were Dr. Charles M. Elchelberger, Secretary of the United States Society and Dr. R. L. Buell, President of the Foreign Policy Society of the United States, both of New York City. Dr. Tory presided and Sir Robert Falconer, of Toronto, was unanimously elected President, at the closing session, succeeding Hon. Ernest Lapointe.''

Correction

AN inaccuracy appeared in our June issue, which we regret and wish to correct. Under The Presbyterian Church in Canada, page 203, it stated that, Rev. George Leslie Mackay was from Tara, Ontario. It should have read — ''of Zorra, Ontario.''

DEAN-MCSPARRON—At Kellogg Presbyterian Church, Landour, India, on June 14th, 1935, Ida M. McSparron, B.A., to Frank W. Dean, both of Jhansi, India.

The Council Executive will resume its weekly meetings on Tuesday, September 10th, at the Board Room of Knox College, Toronto.

Mrs. John H. Buchanan, M.D.

THE passing away, on Wednesday, May 15th, of Mary B. Mackay Buchanan, M.D., has removed a beloved missionary of our Church. To the members of the Women's Missionary Society (W.D.), her name was a household word, and the record of the life of this gifted woman, who gave her rich talents to the missionary cause, will be read with deep interest.

Born in Stellarton, Nova Scotia, Mrs. Buchanan was a graduate of the Women's Medical College, Toronto. Her designation service took place in Knox Church, Toronto, October 18th, 1888, and she went out to India as a medical missionary under the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Mrs. John H. Buchanan.

Shortly after her arrival in India, she was married to Dr. John H. Buchanan, and they started medical work in Ujjain, one of the seven sacred cities of India. It had a population of about 34,000 and was a peculiarly needy and therefore inviting field for medical work. Thousands of pilgrims gathered there at certain seasons and in consequence disease was rife. From 1888-1892 they had no permanent dwelling place. Sometimes in tents, sometimes Mrs. Buchanan in Mhow 50 miles away and the Doctor living in a native house in the crowded city, sometimes having respite from discomfort in a rented bungalow, but always healing and teaching the people, they won their way through.

They labored in Ujjain for seven years and although the work there was dear to them, they accepted the charge of opening up the work among the Bhils in the Amkhut valley. These people, timid, because long oppressed, were not easy of access and patient effort was necessary to win their confidence. Out of a heart of loyal devotion to her Master, Mrs. Buchanan gave herself unreservedly during her 47 years of service to these people. Undoubtedly her great success was due to the triumph of her will and spirit over physical disabilities. She was a woman of deep and vital faith and found abundance of opportunity for the use of her medical skill. In a letter written shortly after her arrival in India, she wrote, "Already I love these poor people, and long to be able to point them to our Saviour, Jesus, 'The Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world'."

In 1917, Mrs. Buchanan's health gave way, and while waiting in Dr. Wanless' Hospital, Miraj, for a serious operation, news came of the death in England of her only son, who was serving in the First Canadian Contingent.

In 1929, at the annual Council Meeting in Ottawa, Ontario, Mrs. Buchanan was presented by the Women's Missionary Society with a Special Service Medal for her 41 years of outstanding pioneer missionary service among the Bhils.

To Dr. Buchanan, and to her two daughters, so sorely bereaved; to her fellow workers among the Bhils; to the great number of those ''other sheep'', for whose bringing into the fold of the Shepherd she gave her self-sacrificing labor, we would extend our deepest sympathy.

The life and work of her whose memory we honor, will live on in the lives of the many she helped upwards along life's way. The work she helped to establish among the women and children of the Amkhut Valley, is her best memorial.

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A recent letter from Dr. Buchanan reads in part, ''The grave is just alongside of those dear Bhils, little and big, that Mrs. Buchanan had labored for, during the years—all in the little field of Apji, near the river side. There is a fine shady tree just to the east that throws its kindly shadow over our beloved one's grave. The Bhil Christians in this time of sorrow are standing proof of Christ's Resurrecting Power—the love, that hill men find it hard to show, as they wept with us, and as their custom is, touched with gently reverent hands so softly her beloved face, whom they mourned as 'Mother' . . . . To make herself a better soldier of her Lord, her King, she put herself through hard drill, fasting and praying and meditating on the deep things of God. She made a lasting impression on many. She would never allow me to mention her name in Mission Reports. Her Bible classes, 'The Teacher's Bible Class', and those for the women were a wonderful feature of her work . . . . Preachers, teachers, men and women at the funeral service, Wednesday evening, at the Memorial service Sunday morning and at the Praise and Thanksgiving service, Sunday evening, told how she, from week to week, opened up the Scriptures for them—the love of these Bhils is 'God's Love' in them. Missions are not a failure when wild demon worshippers can so show the divine love to a foreigner, whom they loved because of the Word.''

O brother man, fold to thy heart thy brother;
Where pity dwells the peace of God is there;
To worship rightly is to love each other,
Each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.

—*Whittier.*

The Diamond Jubilee

THE sixty-first General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, was held in First Presbyterian Church, Montreal. From the opening sederunt, Wednesday, June 5th, a spirit of optimism pervaded the Assembly to a marked degree. It was evident that the Church is on the threshold of a great opportunity, it being generally conceded that this Assembly was one of the best that had ever been held.

It was most fitting that the Diamond Jubilee was celebrated in that city where the union of the Presbyterian Church in Canada was consummated in 1875, and in that Church which stands on the site of the first Presbyterian Church erected in Montreal, St. Gabriel's, built in 1792. An interesting link with the past was the presence of two ministers, Rev. Hugh Cameron, D.D., Ottawa, Ontario, and Rev. R. J. Craig, M.A., Demorestville, Ontario, the last survivors of that historic Assembly of 1875.

Foreign Mission Night

Missionaries to overseas fields, serving under the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and the Women's Missionary Society, who were all present on the platform on Foreign Missions Night. *Front row, left to right:* Dr. A. S. Grant, Secretary of the General Board of Missions, Toronto; Rev. Jonathan Goforth, D.D., and Mrs. Goforth, Manchuria; Rev. J. B. Cropper, D.D., British Guiana. *Second row:* Rev. E. A. and Mrs. Toombs, Bhil Field, India; Mrs. A. MacKay, Jhansi, India; Mrs. C. P. Young, Bhil Field, India; Mr. Angus MacKay, Jhansi, India; Rev. C. P. Young, Bhil Field, India. *Rear:* Rev. E. H. and Mrs. Johnson, Manchuria; Rev. J. and Mrs. Dickson, Formosa; Miss M. H. Williamson, Bhil Field, India; Miss M. Ramsay, Formosa.

Home Mission Night

Rev. James MacKay, D.D., convener of the General Board of Missions, gave the opening address on Home Mission night. He was followed by the introduction of Missionaries of the Church and the Women's Missionary Society, who are serving in Home Mission work. These were, Rev. W. W. Moore, Principal, Improved Day School, Mistawasis, Sask.; Miss Agnes Dickson, the great friend of Chinese mothers and children in Montreal; Miss E. A. Murray of Tyndale House; Miss Iris Munro, port-worker in Montreal; and Miss Frieda Matthews, Deaconess-at-large in the Red Deer district. Splendid addresses were given by Rev. Hugh Munroe, D.D., of New Glasgow, N.S., and Rev. W. M. Mackay, Synodical Missionary, who gave a stirring appeal for the cause in Northern Ontario.

Diamond Jubilee Service

At the special service in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee, led by Rev. Robert Johnston, D.D., of Ottawa, the great congregation repeated the Act of Dedication and Thanksgiving.

> ''In thankfulness to God of all Grace for His abundant mercy and goodness, we rededicate ourselves to His service.''
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> ''For the Union of the various branches of the Presbyterian Family in this land which we now celebrate, for the strength and zeal of the united body, for the advancement of the Kingdom at home and abroad through its efforts, and for the noble part taken by the women in this Christian enterprise, this act of grateful appreciation is made.''

Rev. J. Keir Fraser, D.D., of Alberton, P.E.I., traced the history of Presbyterianism in the Maritimes from the earliest Huguenot settlers to the present. Speaking on behalf of the Women's Missionary Society (E.D.), Miss Mary Murray, of New Glasgow, N.S., gave a résumé of the women's work from the founding of the first Society in 1825.

Greetings and congratulations were received from all parts of the world. Rev. George H. Donald, D.D., Montreal, Que., conveyed the felicitations of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches throughout the World holding the Presbyterian System. Rev. Wm. M. Rochester, D.D., Toronto, Ont., read greetings from the several Presbyterian Assemblies in the United States, from mother Churches in Scotland, England, Wales, and Ireland, while from Europe, India, Formosa, New Zealand and Australia came eloquent messages of brotherhood and goodwill. In fact the world-wide Presbyterian family, numbering sixty millions strong, united to do honor by letter, cable and personal representative to the Presbyterian Church in Canada in her Jubilee Year.

Cleansing the Leper

THE outstanding piece of work which has made MacKay Memorial Hospital known throughout the whole Island, and even Tokyo, has been in connection with leprosy.

The medical report of 1925 stated, ''There is no organized work here for alleviating the sad plight of the lepers. The Government does nothing. During the year we have started a small clinic for lepers which meets every Saturday morning. It started by one or two coming, and grew . . . . We hope at some not too distant date . . . . to start a regular residential colony for lepers . . . .''

During the decade the following progress has been made. With a grant of $3,000 from the Mission to Lepers through its Canadian Branch, there was opened on October 8th, 1927, the first special leprosy clinic in Formosa, then and now a department of the MacKay Memorial Hospital. During this period some 450 persons suffering from leprosy have been treated here as out-patients. The whole financial cost, beyond the staff supplied by the hospital, has been defrayed by grants from the Mission to Lepers and the Government of Formosa together with a small contribution from the patients themselves.

In 1928 a permit was issued to collect funds in Formosa to establish a residential colony for lepers. Under this permit, to the end of 1934 there has been collected in the Island promises of Yen 91,405.04, of which the sum of Yen 66,521.54 has been received in cash.

In 1926-27 and during furlough of 1929, the Government gave grants amounting to Yen 4,000 to enable the superintendent of MacKay Memorial Hospital to visit leprosy institutions in other lands.

In 1930 the Government gave the sum of Yen 25,000 to help found a mission leprosy colony.

In 1930, as a result of the work in the Out-patient Department of MacKay Memorial Hospital among lepers, Her Majesty the Dowager Empress of Japan made a gracious gift of Yen 5,000 towards the establishment of a residential colony for lepers.

In 1930, as a result of the stimulus given by and propaganda emanating from MacKay Memorial Hospital, and on a site of ground chosen by the superintendent of this hospital, the Government opened its first leprosy hospital, which now has 120 inmates. Also as a result of this work, the Government has organized an anti-leprosy society, and collected Yen 200,000 for leprosy relief.

In 1933 there was received from the Government sent by Her Majesty the Dowager Empress of Japan to MacKay Memorial Hospital a framed copy of Her Majesty's Ode, which is translated,

"Comfort them in their lonely hours in my stead,
As I am not free to go and cheer them myself."

In 1934 there was opened in Formosa a branch of the Mission to Lepers (Japan). Its foundation and aims are Christian in character. This will obviate the necessity of our going on with the Formosan Mission to Lepers which was organized during this period.

Finally in 1934 was opened the leprosy colony hoped for in the first year of the decade, under the name of Happy Mount Leprosy Colony. The Colony is built to accommodate eighty patients, and at present has twenty-five patients resident. The colony church built by the gift of the Women's Missionary Society (W.D.) of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, adds one more place of worship to those of the North Formosan Presbyterian Church.

Regular evangelistic efforts have been carried on in connection with all these efforts as follows:

(*a*) In the Out-patient clinic held twice weekly, and for some years on Sunday. This latter service is not held since the opening of Happy Mount Leprosy Colony. Ten adults were admitted to church membership, among whom are still several active workers.

(*b*) Services twice a month at the Government Leprosy Hospital by one or other of our preachers, chiefly the Soren preacher.

(*c*) The local Mission to Lepers holds meetings from time to time, always entirely religious in tone.

(*d*) Happy Mount Leprosy Colony Church has its own pastor in Rev. C. L. Keh. Regular services are held twice on Sunday, and a regular week night prayer-meeting, administering untold comfort to the patients. The colony is thus another focus for Christian effort, and this year our Theological College at Tamsui has taken exceptional interest in this piece of Christian activity.

It is impossible to estimate the effect of this work upon the religious life in Formosa, be it that of the Government or the people. All and sundry are informed that the stimulus of this work arises in the command of Jesus Christ to cleanse the lepers, which information is printed in the constitution of the Colony's Board of Trustees and in the literature.

—*Extracts from Formosa Annual Report.*

The Master Weaver

Spin cheerfully,
Not tearfully,
Though wearily you plod.
Spin carefully,
Spin prayerfully,
But leave the thread with God.

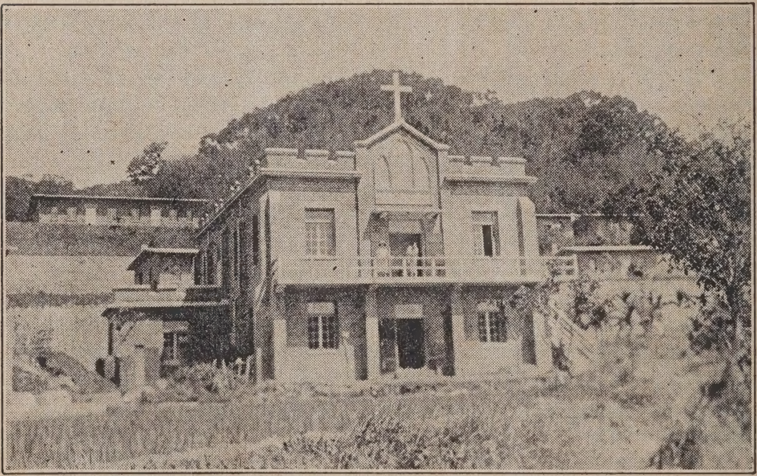
—*Anonymous.*

Happy Mount Leprosy Colony, Formosa

A description of the Church erected there by a grant from our W.M.S., paid in five yearly installments of $1,000.

DR. G. GUSHUE-TAYLOR

"THE Church erected in the Leprosy Colony, at Taihoku, Formosa, by a grant of money from the W.M.S. of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, is a striking building on the countryside, and everyone has admired it. It indicates by the cross at its peak that we recognize Jesus Christ as the Friend of lepers. His Gospel is a great comfort to many sufferers from leprosy. The outside is painted a light grey, and the inside doors and windows are stained light oak. Inside, we have left the bricks their original color. It is, I think the only Church here so finished, most of the others being plastered and whitewashed. I have seen many Churches in England with the interior bare brick, so bought a superior class of brick here and left it so. If one uses whitewash or color wash, before long it becomes soiled and requires redoing; bare brick will cost nothing in upkeep. Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Wilkie are donating the pulpit and Communion Table furniture, which will be in light oak.



The Church, Happy Mount Leprosy Colony, Formosa, Japan.

The Lord has enabled us to build the colony. We hope to open it the end of the year. He has given a remarkably fine site with an abundant water supply even in this season of the greatest drought for

20 years. He has graciously given us favor in the eyes of the Government and of her Majesty the Dowager Empress. From the latter, only yesterday, I received a framed poem nearly 6 feet by eighteen inches which reads, 'In my deep sympathy for the sufferings of lepers. I cannot go myself and care for them, please care for them for me.' This was sent to the hospital from Her Majesty. He has commanded us to do this work, and I am sure He will see that His people send in the money, and that He will grant the workers the strength needed to carry it on. Please continue to remember this work in your prayers.''

Some First Fruits

By Margery and George Gushue-Taylor

SINCE the opening of Happy Mount Leprosy Colony in April last, the religious side of the work has been kept prominently in the forefront. The patients are told that the origin of the colony is from the teachings of Jesus Christ. The church is the biggest and most conspicuous building in the midst, and to it they make daily pilgrimages whether for worship, or to the basement for treatment and food distribution.

Some months ago patients asked when they might have an opportunity of joining the Church. There was no forcing the pace on the part of Staff, just the daily routine of service in deed and word. The regular services held are Sunday morning worship, afternoon Sunday School, mid-week prayer meeting, and ''family prayers'' in their cottages, all quite voluntary. It was evident from the keenness shown and earnest, intelligently expressed prayers, that a work of Grace was going on in their hearts.

On January 24th, Rev. Dr. MacLeod of South Formosa visited the colony for a series of special services. Our pastor, Rev. C. L. Keh, conducted a service for reception of candidates, when eleven patients applied for admission. After a careful examination, in which a high level of answers was given, it was decided to admit four men and three women patients. The four not admitted were postponed that they might learn to read the Romanized Bible which is quite easy for young people.

On Sunday morning the 26th, we had a most impressive baptismal service, when our pastor received those outcasts from Society into the tender fold of the Good Shepherd. In the afternoon was celebrated the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. As one beheld these men, women and children (there were two or three in their 'teens), afflicted with the most appalling of this world's diseases, being affectionately welcomed by, happily entering, and victoriously claiming membership of the visible Church of Christ on earth, it was with difficulty that one maintained a composed countenance; one was almost overcome by tears. ''Those which steal noiselessly through their conduits until they reach the cisterns lying round about the heart; those tears that we weep inwardly with unchanging features.''

They receive real joy in their religion, their faces beam with happy smiles. When entering the colony at times cast down by care and worry, being greeted by this group of smiling faces, one's spirits rise, gloom and despondency evaporate into thin air, one is then living in an atmosphere psychologically and spiritually tonic. We thank God and take courage.

Of those admitted, the majority had attended for a considerable period, the out-patient clinic at MacKay Memorial Hospital, and had there heard the Gospel. Four were from South and three from North Formosa. They were the first patients received into the Church in our new church building donated by the Women's Missionary Society (W.D.) of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

We have now 27 patients in residence, and expect 80 by end of year.

A New Venture and a New Opportunity

For the first time in the history of our Church provision is being made for the training of voluntary workers. The Missionary and Deaconess Training Home is offering a year's free tuition to those who desire additional training, such as, leaders in Sabbath Schools, Young People's Societies, Young Women's Auxiliaries, Girls' Work, etc. This should appeal not only to those who have already had some experience in this work, but also to those who have completed their High School or University studies and who wish some practical and academic training to fit them for Church work.

The primary object of this course is to train *voluntary* workers, but after the experience of this preliminary year, it is hoped that some will take the full training and enter the Missionary or Deaconess work of the Church.

For further information regarding cost of maintenance, academic year, etc., apply to Miss Winifred Ferguson, 156 St. George Street, Toronto.

Western Relief

1934-1935

MRS. H. R. HORNE

THE fourth season of Western Relief is closed. In point of the quantity of clothing received it is practically the same as last year, namely, a little over twenty-one thousand pounds.

Last fall, as in the first year of this work, we found ourselves looking for a place in which to carry on. The warehouse that received us at that time and housed us for three years, was filled in every corner, and it was not long before we discovered that many others were in the same condition and that free space was not a possibility. Finally we secured space in the basement of a storage company at a reasonable rent. The manager partitioned off a space for us and provided shelving and rods for hangers. First Presbyterian Church loaned us the necessary tables, and a Hungarian cleaning company provided the two hundred hangers for coats, etc. We were ready for work!

The bales began to arrive in fair numbers about the middle of November. The peak number came as in former years at the end of December and beginning of January, during which period work had to be carried on at high pressure.

Our good friends of the National Cartage Company took care without charge, of all goods arriving or going out by Canadian National Railways and the Regina Cartage Company gave us special consideration for all Canadian Pacific Railway consignments. For this, and for the constant courtesy and consideration of both these companies and their men, we are most grateful. They made that part of our work a much easier task than it would have been under less favorable circumstances. To the staff of the warehouse we are also much indebted, in that they were at all times ready to give us any assistance we required. Four years in this work, which is not easy nor at all times desirable, have proved to us that co-operation willingly and cheerfully given by those around one greatly lightens the load, and turns difficulties into interesting and even pleasant experiences.

Varied Gifts

This year we have received more than the usual number of money gifts from friends East and West, and in the past few weeks these gifts have met a real need, enabling us to provide articles of clothing essential in making up a balanced parcel. Children's underwear disappears like snow before the sun — so do stockings, boots and rubbers — and these money gifts, together with special prices secured from some of our merchants, have been a wonderful help.

Today we had a ''Thank you'' letter from a Manitoba Minister who had appealed for clothing for a boy just entering his 'teens. The boy's mother died at his birth, and his father was buried a fortnight ago. A married brother was willing to take him into his home, but could not manage clothing in addition to the necessities of his own family. We were able to fit the boy out for school and for Sundays, and the Minister said that words failed them when they tried to express what the help had meant to that boy and his friends.

The quilts are still a marvel of originality, beauty and comfort. Every family gets one, and where there is special need they get two or three. We have helped approximately a thousand and fifty families; multiply that number by two, and you will have a faint idea of the number of quilts supplied. A pile of quilts reaching the ceiling in the morning was down to the table by night, but more bales opened,—the pile soon climbed again! ! So many letters of thanks have in them the sentence— ''I was so glad to get the quilts, they are lovely.''

Baby clothes came in abundance, and how attractive they are! Last Spring we made up a large number of layettes, and when work began this fall there was just one left! They go out all through the year. One lady recently writing of two layettes sent her for two mothers who had come asking where they could get some clothes, said, ''I was truly thrilled when I opened the parcel; everything in it a baby could need, some things too for the mother, and all so lovely; it is wonderful, and the mothers thought so too when they received them.''

Our third special is the Christmas Gifts. Every bale seemed to have some, and there were some things like mufflers, mittens, toques and sweaters which came in such abundance that we were able to set some aside for Christmas to add to the hundreds of jigsaw puzzles, dolls, balls, pencils, new scribblers, toys of all kinds, scrap books, oilcloth animals, rag dolls, etc., etc. We sent out what we could in time for Christmas, and then did up fourteen cases, treating them with dichloricide to prevent moths, and sent them to be stored in readiness for a Christmas treat on time in 1935. To the Mission Bands and Girls' Organizations who made and gave all these things to make other children happy, many thanks, and thanks again! One of our missionary workers made four hundred children happy with your gifts last year, and that was on only one field in this Province.

Coats held their own again this year, while the supply of other garments was proportionately generous. A good deal of flanelette by the yard came in, and the Voluntary Rural Relief Committee gave us sixty yards of underwear material. These helped greatly in supplying the never ending necessity of underwear.

We helped refit several families that had been burned out, losing everything. One missionary shack was made more comfortable with mats and pillows. A Sunday School was given some portières which made possible a separate room for a senior class that had grown beyond the limits of the vestry. Garments that were badly worn, very old-fashioned, or moth eaten, were put into the ''make over section''. From this section, sacks were filled, needles and thread provided, and Ladies' Aids on Mission Fields are making quilts, etc., out of them. ''Let nothing be lost'' is our relief clothing motto.

A Widespread Territory

Our work went beyond the bounds of our own Province into Manitoba, Alberta, and the Peace River block of British Columbia. It helped our own Mission Fields; it helped communities through the Voluntary Rural Relief Committee; it went to Hungarian groups in Saskatchewan and Alberta; it helped school teachers staying at their posts, but getting little remuneration beyond their bare living. Through our Deaconess-at-large it brought release from the clothing problem to a number of families bravely making the struggle to keep off relief in the city. It went into districts in every part of the Province, and wherever it went there has been gratitude expressed. One municipal relief worker wrote, ''Your bales are the best we have had, many thanks.''

''You sent us more than we expected''—''The clothes were exactly what we needed''—''The children are wondering how people so far away can know what we need and send the right size''—''Everybody got something and all were so pleased''—''I like to knit and was so glad to get the yarn''—Testimonials like these abound, and we pass them on to those whose kindness and generosity made them possible. Every parcel that goes out carries on it the name of our Church, and many are the promises that come of the gifts that will be made to our Church in those prosperous days all are hoping to see again.

To all who helped us with the sorting and packing we extend our hearty thanks. During the extreme cold it was often a rather unpleasant task, but they never complained, and were always the ''cheerful helpers'' that are real helpers. We would thank those too who acted as distributors on the fields; their task was difficult, and they did it well.

The work is closed, and the record is written. May there come to those in every part of Canada, who made this work possible, the realization that they have touched lives with helping hands, brought comfort to those in need, and fresh courage to the sorely tried. May there be to them, one and all, the blessings promised to those who seek to help others in His Name and for His Sake.

A Great Mistake

''It is the greatest of all mistakes to do nothing because you can only do a little.''—*Sydney Smith.*

LIBRARY

EVERY year the scope of the work is enlarged, and the Secretaries have endeavored to meet these larger opportunities with increased effort. The reports from all the provinces have been full of enthusiasm, and those who give statistics of the work done, speak of books and magazines sent out by the thousands.

A deaconess who stresses how much the picture rolls and bright picture calendars are loved, and how they light up the bare walls of homes so cheerless and comfortless, says, "These are often the only means of teaching the children about our Lord and Saviour."

An especially interesting feature this year has been the opening of many libraries. Someone gathered a few books, and running the library on Public Library lines, has reached quite a large number of people in the surrounding district. A Western worker writes, "A good library has been collected here and divided into circulating parcels of books. This provides the best of reading matter over a great stretch of territory and is a real source of pleasure and profit to the pioneers."

A Library Secretary on her rounds, collecting reading matter.

We had received this year long lists of names of people living in the out-lying districts. These names have been enthusiastically received, and magazines mailed monthly to these homes. One family not in the school district has, through this Department, been put in touch with the Government Correspondence Course.

There have been many requests for Hymn Books and Bibles, and your Library Secretary has been pleased to be able to meet all these needs. One of the deaconesses in the West writes, "The Hymn Books and Bibles sent up by your Society have meant much. I was surprised when I found out how many people not only children, but adults, had no Bibles."

I wish you could visualize the lives of these lonely people hungry for books and papers, as I vision them sometimes when I receive their gracious thanks and appreciation. I know if you could see these vivid pictures as I see them, a steady stream of literature would reach these settlers all through the year. Great privileges and opportunities are open to us, and we have to endeavor to help counteract other sources of literature that are not aiding to uplift our people.

We have not only supplied our own Dominion with literature, but many supplies have gone to our mission fields overseas. We cannot complete our report without referring to the help rendered by the Canadian railways in carrying a great quantity of our literature free. Our grateful thanks go to all those who have helped to fill a great need in contributing books and magazines in such large quantities.

LANTERN SLIDES

IN the Spring of 1934, one set of slides was prepared on the work of Hackett Medical College, Canton, where Dr. Jessie MacBean is supported by the Women's Missionary Society (W.D.). So great was the demand for the Abey Memorial set, on the work of Miss Mildred Soutar, in Amkhut, that two additional sets were ordered.

In September, eight sets of Land of the Rising Sun (Senior), and eight of Cherry Blossom Land (Junior) were sent to the Provincial Secretaries. New advertising lists were printed and distributed.

Summary of use of slides: Alberta 55; British Columbia 39; Ontario 241; Quebec 60; Saskatchewan and Manitoba 16; Maritimes 20; total 431.

LANTERN SLIDE SECRETARIES

Alberta: Mrs. A. G. Findlay, 310-25th Avenue West, Calgary.
British Columbia: Mrs. T. Deas, 1656 West 10th Avenue, Vancouver.
Ontario: Mrs. E. Perry, 64 Aziel Street, Toronto.
Quebec: Mrs. J. H. Currie, 3648 Durocher Avenue, Montreal.
Saskatchewan and Manitoba: Mrs. C. F. Blair, 2257 McIntyre Street, Regina, Sask.
Maritime Provinces: Mrs. S. W. McCulloch, 664 Prince Street, Truro, N.S.

There to Serve

MRS. J. E. STEWART

PERHAPS you would like to know something of our work in East Selkirk and Gonor, Manitoba. I have organized a Girls' Club at the Gonor Mission, which includes the 'teen age girls, with a membership of 25. They are all very enthusiastic workers, arranging dinners, concerts, Japanese teas, etc., to help the cause at that point. They are endeavoring to raise enough funds to put pews in the Church there. I have also reorganized the Girls' Club at East Selkirk and they are now preparing for a bazaar in the spring.

I have a class in Sunday School at both places. We have a membership at East Selkirk of 18, and at Gonor of 74. Every Sunday we make two trips to Gonor, eight miles away. We conduct Sunday School at Gonor at 11 a.m., go back to East Selkirk for Sunday School at 2 p.m., with Divine Worship at 3 o'clock, and back to Gonor for Divine Worship at 7 p.m.

Mr. Stewart superintends the Sunday Schools and takes the service at both places. I have only missed one Sunday attending the four services since I came, and that was when my little girl was in the hospital. I enjoy the work very much with my husband. Some of our work is not all sunshine, but still there is always the funny side to see when one wants a good laugh. One Sabbath we were driving down to Gonor in a covered sleigh as we could not get through with our car on account of the snow. A foreign man came running up to our sleigh and wanted to know if we had any fish to sell. When the driver told him it was the Minister going to Church, he was very apologetic.

We have a Mission Band at East Selkirk with a membership of 4 girls and 12 boys. We take sewing, manual training, as well as the devotional exercises. We met our allocation of ten dollars. We are now preparing a Valentine tea, the proceeds to aid the Mission Band. We also have a very enthusiastic Ladies' Auxiliary at East Selkirk. They contribute to the W.M.S. from time to time.

Sunday School at Gonor, Man.

''Mr. Stewart had two funerals New Year's week. One was of Mr. Wallace, Sr., who was very active in the building of the new Church here. This was the first funeral to be held in the Church. The other was of an elderly lady of the district who had been a Presbyterian all her life.

Today

I take this gift of heaven, as simply as 'tis given;
And if tomorrow shall be sad, or never come at all, I've had
At least
Today!

A Prayer for Vacations

"The golden sunshine, vernal air,
Sweet flowers and fruit, Thy love declare;
Where harvests ripen, Thou art there;
Who givest all."

LOVING Father, Who didst make this earth so fair, open our eyes to see its wonders, and our hearts to feel its beauty! In our days of refreshment and recreation draw us nearer to Thee through the things which Thou hast made. May the joy of Thy sunshine, the quiet of Thy forests, the murmur of Thy streams, and the steadfast strength of Thine everlasting hills teach us the deep secret of Thy peace! Calm our fretful spirits! Deepen the current of our shallow lives! Renew in us faith and courage, physical strength and spiritual vision, that we may know ourselves to be safely held in Thy strong hands, and may joyfully conform our lives to Thy great purposes!

From this life, so near to nature's heart, may we drink in new strength to help us reach the restless hearts of men! Give us Thy secret, and the power to share it with our fellows, that we may go back to the world and its duties stronger, simpler, sweeter, and may become more worthy messengers of Him who saw His Father's goodness in the sparrow's flight, and His Father's love in the beauty which clothes the lilies of the field! We ask it for His dear sake. Amen.

—"Spirit of Missions."

Balvadi's Story

The Gujarati "Treasure Chest"

WHEN the Gujarati Literature Committee of the Bombay Representative Christian Council decided to start a Gujarati Edition of the "Treasure Chest" in 1928 they decided to print it especially for children, and since the Gujarati children who were to read it had very few chests for treasure in their homes they thought a garden would perhaps appeal more to Gujarati children. So that is how I got my name "Balvadi," meaning Children's Garden. I really am the child of the "Treasure Chest" for the most of my picture blocks have been used first in that magazine, and most of my stories come from it. But because my readers are smaller than many of the "Treasure Chest" readers my editor has to find more stories for little children than that furnishes. She has to have some blocks made for these stories. I have also to have poems and puzzles made especially for me because those in English do not fit the Gujarati language.

I am about seven years old. I am printed in a press belonging to the Irish Presbyterian Mission. The man who looks after my printing mostly is named Nityanand, and his name means Daily Joy. Another man there helps the editor. His name is Ashirwad, and that means Blessing. I ought to be a very happy, cheerful messenger. I think I am, for the children look for me to come on time, and seem to enjoy me. I cannot tell you just how many children read me, for in some of the schools many children get a chance to read me, whereas only a few copies go to the school. I like best going into the homes. There the whole family likes me. The older folks like my stories nearly as well as the children. In one place where there is a big hospital they get 150 copies each month and distribute them to the patients who come. I get into many non-Christian people's hands this way, and I travel a long way. I go to non-Christian homes too. I can't tell just how many, for the press doesn't know which names on the mailing list belong to Christians and which to non-Christians, always. But my editor knows that a goodly number of influential non-Christians are interested in me for a number send contributions and offer to help her. I can't tell just how many schools take me either, for there is no way to tell, always, whether the name in the address belongs to a teacher or not. Just recently, though, I am starting to go into four big schools in Bombay, because a kind man liked me and asked the press to send me there each month at his expense. I know I go to a lot more. They print and send out 850 copies each month, but I know many more children than that read me.

I have been hoping for a long time that they could get so many subscriptions that they could print 1,000 copies each month, but some way we cannot find more than 850. I think it must be mostly the fault of the parents. Some of them are very poor, and they do not realize how valuable I am to their children, so they do not like to spend the money for me. We are not losing hope, though. We are very thankful for the money to help us from the United States and Canada for I cost about two and one-third times what we get from the subscribers. My subscription is Rs. 1, a year.

Before I finish my story I want to tell you that I go to Christian families belonging to all the church in Gujarat. I told you that the press belongs to the Irish Presbyterian Mission. My editor is a missionary of the W.F.M.S. of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Besides these two missions I have readers in the Church Missionary Society, and I think in the Salvation Army. I try to go to as many places as I can. Oh, yes, I go to the Wesleyan Methodists down near Bombay, too.

I also go to some libraries. I have wanted for a long time to find a place in the Children's Room of the Baroda General Library. There is a very nice room there, and a large number of children come. The lady in charge is a well educated Marathi woman. She thinks literature for children is very necessary, and she gets all the non-Christian children's magazines that she can. She likes me too, but she doesn't order me because she doesn't want a paper edited by a missionary. I was telling an interested Hindu friend about it recently, and he said it is because the non-Christian people are afraid that if their children read Christian magazines they will become Christians. Of course there is a good deal in that. He said he was not like that, and I am glad there are a good many not so narrow minded as to refuse to take me just because my editor is a Christian missionary.

My editor says to give you her grateful salaams.

''Balvadi.''

Listen

IN 1926, at Le Zoute, Belgium, 231 missionaries and officials of fourteen countries gathered to consider educational work in Africa. Discussion showed the great need of literature for Africa, both in the vernaculars and in the languages of the various governments. Cooperation on literature between bodies working in Africa would promote production and prevent overlapping. A step had already been taken by a group of British missionary societies which had formed an African literature sub-committee. In 1923 this committee published a bibliography of African Christian literature, and in 1927 a supplement to that bibliography.

It soon became evident that a cooperative effort must be international, and in 1929 the International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa was founded as a sub-committee of the International Missionary Council. American and British societies, the Bible societies and religious publishing houses cooperate in its support, and from the first the Phelps-Stokes Fund has made a yearly grant. Miss Margaret Wrong, of Toronto, was made secretary of the Committee on Christian Literature for Africa, with headquarters in London.

A village paper for Africa called ''Listen: News From Near and Far,'' was first published in January, 1932. This name was chosen because it can be translated easily into all vernaculars. In addition to a religious article, each issue contains material of interest to the village teacher, to women and to children, including something on hygiene, information about the world outside Africa, and African folk lore and story. There is a great opportunity opening before Christian friends of Africa, in other countries to help ''with the making of books'' for these people.

Happy Childhood in China

IN 1914, Mrs. Henry W. Peabody and Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery while visiting China were impressed with the need of a Christian magazine for children. They found that Mrs. Donald MacGillivray, a missionary of the Canadian Presbyterian Board in Shanghai, would be glad to edit such a periodical, provided funds for printing and distribution could be supplied by the Christian Literature Committee. The China Sunday School Union agreed to do the printing for a very moderate compensation and the next year the little bark with the felicitous name of ''Happy Childhood'' was launched. It is an unpretentious monthly of sixteen pages, with stories, puzzles, Sunday School lesson, comments and many features novel to Chinese child life.

Christmas Picture Books have for several years been compiled from ''Happy Childhood'' and have met with great demand — an edition of 12,000 being quickly sold out and proving insufficient for the call. The magazine was said at one time to go into almost every province in China.

China, with thousands of years of ancient civilization behind her, had no books or magazines for her women and children until 1912. The Phonetic Script in China has thrown wide open doors to thousands of humble homes, but the Christian forces are not keeping up with the demand for good reading.

Books Old and New

BY LEREINE BALLANTYNE

THE new leaflet for HOME HELPERS is now ready for distribution, and no doubt all Home Helper Secretaries will be glad to have this new addition to their department. The title is ''HAVE YOU LOCKED THE DOOR?'' and they will be sent free on request to any of our members.

The new MEMBERSHIP CARDS for Auxiliaries are also free. Get a supply to have when you begin the new year, or to give to new members.

The following list of books are of special interest, and all are now listed at 35c each. These make inexpensive summer reading and contain much of value for members planning programmes.

MIRACLE LIVES OF CHINA, by Mr. and Mrs. J. Goforth, this splendid book is now available in paper edition and covers outstanding stories of their forty years in China.

AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST is a complete outline of the life of a missionary of today in any field. It should be read, and will be enjoyed especially by young people.

THE GREAT QUEST is a lovely little book by E. B. Moody on finding spiritual truth in nature. Especially delightful for summer reading.

SCENES FROM DICKENS, bright little skits suitable for camps or use in groups of all kinds. Brief, dramatic and easy to do, these should be in every group. Reduced to clear, at above price.

A GENTLEMAN IN PRISON, translated by the late Dr. Caroline Macdonald, and written by a criminal whom she had reformed. This is a story of terrible crime, and of the profound power Christianity can be when interpreted by absolute faith in humanity.

THE ANGEL OF GOD'S FACE, by Henry van Dyke, is a delightful little book for a parting gift, or for a shut-in.

The Poetry List

MORNING GLORY, by Wilhelmina Stitch. Her newest book. 35c.
SHORT AND SWEET, by Wilhelmina Stitch. 35c.
OUT OF DOORS, SONGS OF FAITH, BY THE WAY, } Three titles by Annie Johnson Flint, a writer of charming spiritual verse, each 40c.

YOUNG WOMEN

THANKS TO "GOD OF THE OPEN AIR"

For the comforting warmth of the sun that my body embraces,
For the cool of the waters that run through the shadowy places,
For the balm of the breezes that brush my face with their fingers,
For the vesper hymn of the thrush when the twilight lingers,
For the long breath, the deep breath, the breath without care,
I will give thanks and adore Thee, God of the open air.

—*Henry van Dyke.*

DO'S

IT seems natural and easy to say "don't" that it has occurred to some of us a code of DO would be an agreeable change. For every "don't" has to be translated into a "do" to make it of value.

1. Do invite non-members and uninterested friends to your meetings. Not once or twice but seventy times seven if necessary.
2. Do make a real study of the Annual Report.
3. Do remember that Christian Stewardship is the separation of a portion of our income to be used for the advancement of the Kingdom of God and the balance of our income to be treated as no less a trust.
4. Do keep in mind that there are other stewardships, such as setting aside a definite portion of time for prayer and a definite portion of your time for Christian work or service.

5. Do have attractive and informative programmes.
6. Do keep in mind that every member has a talent and see that it is used and developed.
7. Do tell the sick and shut-ins about the work. They will love to be kept in touch with the W.M.S. activities.
8. Do keep up to date by reading *The Glad Tidings.*
9. Do pray for our missionaries, not one, but all. —*Adapted.*

How the Young Women Do It

''Our Society was formed five years ago on the occasion of Miss Pelton's visit to us. We were then known as the Young Women's Auxiliary of Kerrisdale Presbyterian Church, Vancouver, B.C. Some two years ago we chose the name 'Janet Thomson' Auxiliary, in honor of our guide and very dear friend, Mrs. R. M. Thomson. At our Easter Thank-offering meeting we presented our first President, Miss Sarah Laird, who has been an untiring and faithful worker as our President and later as Supply Secretary, with a Life Membership. We hope that this, our first Life Membership, will be only a beginning. Miss Laura Pelton was our speaker and she spoke on the text 'Look on the fields.' It was a most fitting topic coming as it did at the end of her lectures, from which we have derived so much benefit.''

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''Goforth Y.W.A., Claude, Ontario, entertained the Mission Band at a supper meeting recently. Over fifty mothers and their children were present. The Mission Band presented the programme.''

GIRLS AND LEADERS

Dear Leaders and Girls:

A GROUP of girls were having a world fellowship banquet, they had invited some of our missionaries who were home on furlough from Formosa and India to represent their different fields.

A few hours before the banquet was ready to be served a little seven year old boy came over to the Church to see his mother, who was helping with the preparation of the meal. With the usual curiosity of a child he wanted to see the tables and all the pretty things on them. As he passed by, the programme at each plate attracted him. He picked one up, looked at the two hemispheres on the cover and read aloud the words, ''Building a new world'', and thereupon exclaimed, ''Humph! we can't do that.'' He was about to place the programme back on the table when he noticed there were some words on the other side. Turning it over he read the remainder of the theme for the banquet, ''together with God,'' and then with such a light in his eye he said, ''Oh that's different.''

How true his statements are, it would be impossible for us to build in our own strength a new world and it does make a difference in our own attitudes and in the results when we realize we are building together with God.

What is this new world He would have us build? Is it not that world described in this poem?

Dreams are they . . . . but they are God's dreams
Shall we decry them and scorn them?
That men shall love one another
That white shall call black man brother,
That greed shall pass from the market place,
That man shall meet God face to face
Dreams are they all.
But shall we despise them . . . . God's dreams.

Dreams are they . . . . to become man's dreams
Can we say ''nay'' as they claim us?
That men shall cease from hating
That war shall soon be abating
That the glory of kings and lords shall pale,
That the pride of dominion and power shall fail,
That love of humanity shall prevail.
Dreams are they all,
But shall we despise them . . . . God's dreams.
—*Thomas Curtis Clarke.*

As we face the task of making real God's dreams, as we build with Him, I believe He would have us get the truth expressed by Tolstoi when he said, ''If you want to make the world better you have to be the best you can. You cannot bring the kingdom of God into the world until you bring it into your own heart first.'' Thus we see that first of all we are builders of a life. Well then may our prayer be:

''Thou hast made each of us a workman who has to build the temple of her life, rich materials are at hand, yet we are allowed to choose among them for ourselves. Helpers are on every side; but we are left to pick those who will help most nobly. The plan for the building is largely in our own hands; but Thou dost stand willing to advise. Help us to form our building blocks carefully and to be satisfied with none less than the best. Let there be nothing dark or ugly or false in our temples, Father, for with all our hearts we want them to be fit dwelling places for Thee.'' Amen. —*Adapted.*

You who are young, it is you, it is you
Who must make the dreams of the world come true.
You who are young have a world to build,
The future shall be what you have willed.
Learn and practice, plan and do;
Hold to a vision and shape it true
And you'll find at last that a dream or two
Because of you, because of you,
Has out of the mist and the dark come true.
Heed what you build with hand and tongue,
You who are young, you who are young.—*Selected.*
—*Jean Kelman.*

THE POSTER CONTEST

Dear Leaders and Girls:

I PROMISED this month to tell you of the poster contest and to announce the prize winners. All through the month of April, bundles of posters kept arriving in my office, and it was such fun to open them and to see what group had sent them. Last week fourteen sets of posters were carried down to the Canadian School of Missions and put up in the room in which the enlarged Council Executive was meeting, making it so bright and attractive, and then the work of judging began. The judges were Miss Marian Long, a well-known Canadian artist; Mrs. N. H. McGillivray, the secretary for Japan; and Mrs. Kelman, our own secretary. Their task was not easy, and often they felt that every set should receive a prize, since all were so cleverly done. Here is their final decision: *First Prize:* ''Swastika'' Girls' Guild, St. Andrew's Church, Saskatoon. *Second Prize:* ''Northern Star'' C.G.I.T. Group, Pembroke, Ontario. *Honorable Mention:* ''Knox Comrade Club'', Selkirk, Manitoba; ''Queen's Gardens'' C.G.I.T. Group, St. Paul's Church, Toronto. At least three groups were disqualified because they sent in only two posters instead of three. Some groups attempted to put too many pictures on their posters and spoiled the artistic effect, while on others the pictures and the printing could not be recognized at a distance. Several of the posters done on white paper needed more color in either the pictures or the printing.

I must tell you more about the winning sets. The Saskatoon girls entitled theirs— ''Japan—our Responsibility; Our Problem; Our Solution''. Number one, ''Our Responsibility'', was a map of Japan done in blue and white, and complete with a compass for finding the directions. Number two, ''Our Problem'', presented the religions of Japan, with dainty hand-painted pictures of Fujiyama, the Sacred Mountain, a Torii gateway, a statue of Buddha, the sacred deer, and a temple. Number three, 'Our Solution''—told its own story, for there was pictured a church, children happily playing games in a kindergarten, and nurses working in a hospital; while in one corner was a little Japanese girl sitting under a tiny paper parasol.

The second prize posters, from Pembroke, were made of gaily colored paper. The first one, ''Old Japan and Her Shrines'', presented a picture of an old Japanese shrine, on dark grey paper, while the second, of buff color, showed a Japanese lady—''Japan, emerging slowly from the shadows of the past—'' opening her eyes to the wonders of the new Japan. The third poster, of alice blue, had across the top a row of Canadian Girls in Training in their uniforms, and called on these girls to save the Koreans from the idol worship that was pictured below.

St. Paul's, Toronto, sent hand-painted posters telling a story of a C.G.I.T. girl who sailed away to Japan, made friends with Japanese girls, and remembered them in friendship, ever after. The first poster showed her waving goodbye from the deck of a steamer, the second, shaking hands with her new Japanese friend, and the third, keeping in friendly touch with her through a telephone—the Canadian girl at one end, the Japanese girl at the other. The posters from Selkirk advertised the crying need for a doctor for the Koreans; contrasted the idols that they worship with a lovely picture of Christ; and reminded us all that we were to save our pennies to help Miss MacLean in her kindergarten work.

I wish that I had space to describe them all, for they were all different and interesting—but it would make this a very long letter. I was disappointed that Alberta and Quebec sent no entries, but I hope that they will compete next year. Our new contest will be announced either in the October or November *Glad Tidings.* Keep your eyes open for it!

Sincerely yours,

MARY HILL, *Girls' Work Secretary.*

MISSION BANDS

THE LITTLE BROWN LAMB'S GIFT

THE white lady with the loving blue eyes smiled at little Gopal as he sat on the floor in the very front row of the Sunday School. And indeed, if you had seen him sitting there so solemnly, with his round little face, and round gilt cap, and round little tummy like a kewpie's, you too would have smiled.

It was Gopal's first visit to the Sunday School. His big brother hearing the singing on the verandah, had brought him over and left him there. They were singing songs to ''Jesus''. Was He a new god and did they have an image of Him, and put butter and garlands on it? Listen, the white lady was speaking.

''You know when we love someone, we want to give something to show our love, don't we?''

Gopal considered. Yes, it was true. Only this morning he had picked a scarlet Flame-of-the-forest flower and tucked it in his mother's black hair, and she had said, ''Thank you, wee Prince of my heart.''

''And so,'' went on the lady, ''we want to give something to Jesus too. Next Sunday is His birthday—Christmas. The only way we can give Him anything is to bring something that we can sell and help the poor. Every one who loves Jesus may bring it next Sunday.''

After that the teacher told them a story about a little lost lamb and a shepherd. Gopal understood this. Was not his big brother Rama a shepherd? And the teacher said that he, Gopal, was one of Jesus' lambs.

''If I fell and hurt my leg, would he carry me home as my brother does his sheep?'' he asked.

''He would send someone to help you, for He loves all His lambs.''

Rama came soon afterwards to take him home, and all the while that Gopal's little bare brown feet trotted over the hot, dusty road, he was wondering what he could give the shepherd god Jesus. Mother was late that evening. It was nearly seven before she came in very tired and worn from the rice-fields where she had been carrying bundles of cut plants on her head all day. After they had eaten, she felt a little hand pull the folds of her sari.

''Mother, can I have a pie (one-sixth of a cent) for myself?''

''Why do you ask, foolish little son of mine? You know that since your father died, Rama must herd goats all day and I must work from morning to night.''

''Can I have a handful of rice?'' he asked.

''See,'' she tipped the pot, ''not one grain left. Why do you want it, son of my heart?''

''I—it is for a new swami-God called Jesus. He loves me and I wanted to give Him something.''

His mother frowned. ''Only yesterday the priest came and said if I did not give him something, the smallpox goddess would send the plague on us. So I gave. If this Jesus wishes to punish us, let Him.''

She looked so tired and angry that Gopal crept away to sleep.

Next day he went with Rama and the goats and sheep. Suddenly Rama took something from his coat. It was a cocoanut shell over which he had fashioned threads of skin so that when they were scraped they made a tune.

''Oh, Rama. How fine that is. Give it to me.''

''Why should I?'' asked Rama lazily.

''I—I—'' Gopal hoped Rama wouldn't laugh. ''I want to give it to the Jesus Shepherd.''

''Silly one. He is a God for white people. He doesn't care for you.''

''O, but He does. You like the brown lambs as much as the white don't you?''

''What will you give me for it?'' asked Rama teasingly.

''I, what have I? Oh, please, Rama. The next time I find a mango fruit I will bring it to you without biting it.''

''What do I care for mangoes? Listen, will you take the goats home alone and let me go swimming?''

''Oh, but Rama'' (the little boy shivered), ''it will be dark, and I will have to go past the margossa tree where the priest says a devil lives.''

''Why should you fear?'' scornfully, ''if you give this fiddle-thing to your Jesus, will He not protect you?''

The little boy hesitated, then held out his hand resolutely for the shell. It was quite true. Had not the Shepherd gone far out into the wilderness to find His lamb, and was he, Gopal not one of His lambs even though he were brown?

The next Sunday, Gopal was there before all the others, clasping something in his hand. And as the children went singing, one by one, to place their gifts in the box that represented the manger, they began to laugh. For, there, midst the piles of fruit, and rice and money, lay a hollow cocoanut shell with strings across it. They could not see the terror of the long walk in the dark. They did not know the torture of leading the sheep and goats past the devil-tree, or the gasping little prayer, ''Oh Shepherd, I am Your lamb,'' that the little boy made in the darkness.

Then the Lady-of-the-Loving-Eyes held up her hand for quiet, and lifted up the shell to see what was scratched on it. And as she read her eyes were misty, and she held little Gopal close to her for a minute, saying, ''Children, I think Jesus will love this gift best of all.'' For, in sprawling Tamil letters, the inscription ran: ''To the Shepherd Jesus from His brown lamb Gopal.''

—*By Ruth L. Scudder* (Source unknown).

Leaders' Corner

THE STORY HOUR AT MISSION BAND (Part Two)

AFTER we have chosen our story and decided on the special message we wish that story to have, we then think about how we are going to tell it so that it will interest the children and also realize our aim. This is perhaps the greatest problem to all leaders of children, yet there is no time that brings so much joy to both the leader and her little people as the one in which she becomes their comrade into strange lands. Together we visit Bethlehem and see the Babe Jesus; or we stay closely together very safely as God's guests with Noah on the ark during the big storm; or we all stand around Jesus as He tells the disciples to let us come to Him. We can go together and visit the children of other lands, especially in our different missionary stations. We can sit on rugs or cushions in Japan and Formosa and see their paper walls and sip a little tea from their small bowls, and we can hear Miss Anderson, our missionary there, tell the Bible stories we love to hear. We go to Miss McLean's kindergarten and see how she is making the little people there very happy.

In trying to bring a story within the small child's understanding we should remember his strong power of imagination. With Primaries, stories must be a little more true to life.

The story-teller must feel her story. She must live her characters, but the inexperienced should perhaps be advised to be careful of extremes in her methods of picturing her characters. She must not lose herself too entirely in her story. For example, sobbing and weeping on the part of the story-teller will produce the opposite effect from what she wishes. The result will be peals of laughter from the children. An actress actually impersonates her characters, but a story-teller suggests them.

The methods of story-telling might be studied under two divisions, actions and words. Our actions and expressions are half of our success. By them we can lead the children to see our story. ''The Israelites are on a hillside over there. On another hill over here are the Philistines. So there is a valley along here between them. Goliath is down in the valley defying the Israelites. A boy comes from the Israelite army and Goliath, hearing the shout from both armies turns to see the boy, etc.'' Our class will actually turn also to see the boy if our expressions and hand motions are natural. The children will watch these places as the story progresses. But may I again warn against exaggeration in our actions.

Our voices and words are very important also. The story-teller should get into the habit of listening to herself. She should ask herself, ''Is my voice distinct, well modulated, and pleasant to listen to?'' Become so familiar with interest tricks that you will use them unconsciously. Pause slightly before words of great importance, ask a question to make your hearers curious; lower the voice to produce wonderment or to make the children listen to hear the angels singing the first Christmas carol.

To do all this may seem very difficult, but it will not be nearly as much so if the teller knows the story thoroughly. Read it over several times, and then try to tell it to an imaginary group of children. You will, in all likelihood, realize you do not know it at all. You do not know how to start, what to cut out, how to lead up to the climax, nor how to simplify the end without chopping it off. You are in reality just beginning to learn it. Do not be discouraged but go back to your story and study it from these angles. Then try to tell it again.

—*Miss Ethel M. McCutcheon, Saskatoon, Sask.*

(The last part of this article will appear in the September issue.)

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

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CALGARY P.S.—Grace Church Auxiliary, Calgary, held its annual Easter Thank-offering service on April 18th. Mrs. T. M. Allen, the President, presided. Short reports from the various departments were given. Rev. D. K. Perrie, of North Hill Church, as guest speaker, gave an encouraging and helpful talk on ''Our Faithfulness in doing well the small things in life.'' Mrs. A. Rae led in the special prayer for our missionaries.

Each department of Grace Church, Calgary, was represented on May 13th, to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Young, as they leave once more to take up their work in India. The Mission Band presented Mr. and Mrs. Young with a beautiful black and gold autographed quilt. The W.M.S. presented each with a gift book and a special offering of money to be used exclusively for gifts and candy for the little neglected children in their field at Christmas time. At the regular meeting, May 17th, Mrs. R. J. Edgar gave a comprehensive report of the Provincial meeting in Edmonton, and Mrs. McMichael gave an interesting paper on the work of our deaconesses in the western provinces. A request was made at this meeting for contributions of furnishings for Miss Todd's cabin at Brownvale.

Edmonton P.S.—At the May meeting of the Presbyterial Executive, the devotions were taken by two new Secretaries, Mrs. Warren, Welcome and Welfare, and Mrs. Southen, Young Women's and Girls' Organizations Secretary. Mrs. Sykes presided. Mrs. Warren reported a splendid response to an appeal for clothing for the needy at Fort St. John, bales weighing 300 pounds having been sent to that most northerly post.

The Auxiliary of First Church, Edmonton, entertained the members of the three Mission Bands of the Church, following a splendid programme of scripture reading, prayer and choruses by the children. Thirty-five children were present.

The Westmount Senior Girls, Edmonton, held a mother and daughter banquet. These girls are very helpful and form the nucleus of the Church choir under the leadership of Mr. A. K. Southen. Later, the Junior Girls held a similar banquet, at which Mrs. Sykes, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Southen and others, gave encouragement in short addresses.

The Business Girls' Chapter of First Church held a banquet recently at which our Presbyterial President, Mrs. Sykes, was an honored guest. Dr. A. R. Osburn, gave an address from the supper table. A musical programme by members of the choir was enjoyed.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

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WESTMINSTER P.S.—A very enjoyable mother and daughter supper was held recently by the Young Women's Group of St. Columba Church. There were thirty-four mothers and daughters present. The guests of the evening were Mrs. McKee, Presbyterial Y.W. Secretary and Miss Laura Pelton, who addressed the gathering.

''The Burning Lamp'' Mission Band of St. Aiden's Church, New Westminster and the ''Busy Bees'' of St. Stephen's Church united for a jolly picnic on Victoria Day. After games and refreshments the day ended with a sing-song.

A Thank-offering meeting was held by Robertson Church Auxiliary, Vancouver. After opening devotions, reports by different Secretaries were read. Mrs. Fraser introduced the guest speaker, Miss Laura Pelton, who gave an address on ''Prayer.''

A large gathering of girls and boys with their parents and friends was held in Mt. Pleasant Church, Vancouver, on the occasion of the annual spring rally of the Mission Bands of Westminster Presbyterial. Miss Acheson, Presbyterial Secretary of Mission Bands, presided. Mrs. R. M. Thomson, Provincial President and Mrs. John McPherson, Presbyterial President, addressed the meeting, after which Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Young delighted the children with entertaining and instructive talks on their work in India. Mrs. McPherson presented the banner for proficiency in memory work to Fairview Band, also twenty-seven special prizes to members of various Bands who received 100 per cent. in a recent Scripture memorization and missionary intelligence test. Most of the Bands present contributed short items to the programme.

The regular meeting of Richmond Auxiliary was held at the home of Miss Weir and took the form of a farewell to Mrs. C. P. Young of India, who was presented with a Life Membership.

Victoria P.S.—The ''Goforth'' Mission Band of St. Andrew's Church, Victoria, held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. M. Fuller. After a short devotional period Mrs. J. A. Kennedy, Presbyterial Mission Band Secretary, addressed the girls and on behalf of members and friends presented Margaret Fuller with a Junior Membership.

Kamloops–Okanagan P.S. annual meeting was held in Salmon Arm, May 29th. There was a good attendance and a splendid feeling of harmony and optimism prevailed. The morning session was devoted to business and departmental reports. After this the members adjourned to the Montebello Hotel where they were the guests of Mrs. James Hislop, President of Salmon Arm Auxiliary, at luncheon. In the afternoon the members listened to an address by Miss Laura Pelton on ''The Witnessing Church.'' The President, Mrs. Wyllie, of Kamloops, closed the meeting with an address on ''The Perfect W.M.S. Member.''

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WINNIPEG P.S.—Rev. C. P. and Mrs. Young, Central India, addressed the Winnipeg Presbyterial recently. Rev. Mr. Young illustrated his address with lantern slides. Mrs. George Leckie, President, occupied the chair. Rev. David Johnstone and Rev. J. H. Stewart also spoke. Silent prayer was observed in memory of Mrs. John Buchanan, M.D., Amkhut, India.

The Mission Band, All People's Presbyterian Mission, Gonor, was privileged to have with them at their April meeting Mrs. Smith, Presbyterial Mission Band Secretary, and Miss H. Macdonald, deaconess in Winnipeg. The members of the W.M.S. were also present. A birthday cake in honor of Miss Innes, who has been the faithful Treasurer of the W.M.S. since its organization 13 years ago, was served.

At the Easter meeting of Calvin Church Auxiliary, Weston, Rev. D. Johnstone occupied the chair. Mrs. Flook, Provincial President, spoke and Miss Macdonald, deaconess, told of her work in Saskatchewan. The Presidents of the Baptist and United W.M.S. Auxiliaries read the lesson and offered prayer.

Superior P.S.—The Auxiliary of Knox Church, Fort Frances, is enjoying the study ''Fellow Citizens.'' One of the Mission Band members received a Junior Certificate, the gift of Mrs. Leslie, Brandon, in March. The C.G.I.T. Groups held a mother and daughter banquet in May.

(Held over from June issue)

Superior P.S.—In the absence of the President, Mrs. W. Patterson, Mrs. E. R. Parliment, Vice-President, presided at the regular meeting of the ''Willing Talent'' Workers, First Presbyterian Church, West Fort William. Mrs. P. Cundy took the devotional exercises and also gave a report of the Provincial annual meeting held recently in Winnipeg. The one-cent-a-week fund was re-inaugurated for the benefit of the W.M.S. Pension Fund. Welcome and Welfare Secretary reported 24 visits made; the Supply Secretary spoke in regard to the allocation; the Literature and Library Secretary reported magazines sent to the road camps.

The April meeting of the Presbyterial was held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Fort William, the President, Mrs. Percival Cundy, presiding. Mrs. F. Blain reported that a site had been provided for a summer camp, through the kindness of J. C. Dobie. Mrs. Cundy gave an excellent report of the annual Provincial W.M.S. meeting held in St. James' Church, Winnipeg. The allocation for the Presbyterial was set at $900. It was decided to carry on the one cent a week for the W.M.S. Pension Fund.

Winnipeg P.S.—The Easter Thank-offering meeting of the Auxiliary of First Presbyterian Church, Winnipeg, was held April 3rd. The President, Mrs. Nevin McWilliams, presided, and Rev. W. Gordon MacLean, conducted the devotional exercises. Rev. Dr. T. B. R. Westgate gave a very interesting address illustrated by lantern slides, on missions in German East Africa, where he spent fifteen years in missionary work. Rev. Mr. McLean thanked Dr. Westgate for his splendid address which broadened our missionary interest. The President, Mrs. McWilliams, also spoke a few words of appreciation on behalf of the Society.

The Girls' Guild of Kildonan Church entertained their mothers at a St. Patrick's party in Nisbet Hall. Miss Hazel MacDonald, deaconess, gave an inspiring talk on her experiences in the Peace River district, which was appreciated. Solos, group songs by the girls, stunts and games made up a very pleasant evening.

Norwood Auxiliary held their Thank-offering meeting on April 16th. The special features were a chorus by the Mission Band, a most interesting Good Friday message by Mrs. George Leckie, Presbyterial President; and a timely Easter message from Mrs. James Rodgers. Mrs. Angus Sutherland gave a recitation.

The Easter Thank-offering meeting of Knox Auxiliary, Stonewall, was held on April 4th, with twenty in attendance. The visiting speakers were Mrs. George Leckie, who gave an address on ''Helps and Hindrances to the Christian Life''; Miss Hazel MacDonald, deaconess, who gave an interesting talk on ''Our Work in the Peace River District''; Mrs. J. P. Duffin told a short Easter story.

The Easter Thank-offering of St. James Auxiliary, Winnipeg, was held April 10th. The ''Easter Story'' was presented by the Mission Band. The Girls' Guild furnished a musical number and the St. John's Young Women's Auxiliary presented a most pleasing and instructive sketch on the origin and growth of our W.M.S.

The W.M.S. Auxiliary of Old Kildonan Church held their Easter Thank-offering meeting on April 11th. There was a splendid attendance of members, Home Helpers, and a few friends. The President, Mrs. R. B. Anderson presided and took the ''Easter Story'' for her Scripture reading. Mrs. George Leckie, Presbyterial President, gave an extremely interesting talk on her work in the Indian Industrial School at Battleford, Sask., in 1904. When the first automobile came to the school, so many of the children clambered on to it that none of the auto was visible.

ONTARIO

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FOR the first time in history a Mission Band rally was held in the vicinity of Sault Ste. Marie, Algoma P.S., when Bands from Westminster and St. Paul of the Soo met with the Band of Victoria Church in Korah, some seventy children with twenty leaders and W.M.S. members who emphatically declare it will not be the last, having received a real benediction in the enthusiasm and talent displayed by the children. Mrs. H. Triplett and Mrs. Wiley conducted the meeting, Miss Ellice Smith telling the story, ''Why Bunnies Have Pink Eyes,'' with its timely moral. At the close games were played on the lawn and goodies and ice cream were served. Each child was given a nice Easter card as a souvenir of their first rally.

Special Easter meetings were general in Hamilton P.S., many being addressed by Miss Jean MacLean. Mrs. Jonathan Goforth addressed Westminster Auxiliary, Hamilton. She was presented with beautiful flowers. A ''curio'' tea was held in St. Paul's Church Sunday School room, Hamilton. Exhibits from the mission fields of Japan, Formosa, India and China were on display, also a table of colored embroidery, the work of the Hungarian Church ladies, Hamilton. Interesting items about the different articles were told, Miss B. Robson assisting at the India table. In this Sunday School room there is a bell three hundred years old from a Chinese temple whose priest, converted to the Christian faith, gave it to the late Rev. Murdock McKenzie, who presented it to St. Paul's.

Fine Easter meetings combined with reports from the annual Provincial meeting were held in Midland and Orillia, Barrie P.S., Orillia presented the pageant, ''The Shining Years.'' Mrs. M. W. Heslip presided over the Presbyterial annual meeting held in Knox Church, Midland. Delegates were present from all corners of the Presbyterial. A memorial service was held for those members who passed to higher service during the year. Guest speakers were Mrs. John Williams and Rev. William Allan, Toronto, who thrilled their audience afternoon and evening respectively. Mrs. J. S. Shortt, wife of the retiring Moderator of our Church, was presented with a sheaf of roses in recognition of the esteem in which she is held by members of the Presbyterial. Port McNicoll Auxiliary held a successful ''Jubilee'' tea in aid of the Supply Fund, while Thornbury-Clarksburg Auxiliary held one at the lovely home of Mrs. R. H. McDonald in aid of the Expense Fund.

Easter meetings in Guelph P.S. were addressed by Rev. L. Young, of Japan, and Mrs. Edgar Robertson, Milton, late of China. Campbellville Auxiliary presented little Peter McPhail with a Junior Membership certificate in memory of his grandmother, Mrs. Wm. McPhail, who passed away recently. The annual spring rally of the Presbyterial was held in Hespeler, full reports of the annual Provincial meeting being given. Mrs. W. P. Sutton, Preston, led the discussion hour which was helpful, snappy and to the point. Miss Murray, Hospital Visitor, Toronto, gave vivid and interesting accounts of her work. Miss Lamont was speaker at a meeting held in Fergus. She brought many new ideas and solved many problems.

In Chatham P.S. Easter meetings were many and interesting. Provincial annual meeting was well reported, special speakers were Mrs. D.

McLaren, Duart, Mrs. J. P. Band, Windsor, and Mr. O. Drury, Blenheim, with many non-members giving of their time and talent.

The Dorcas Mission Band, Caledon East, Orangeville P.S., invited their mothers to their Easter meeting, entertaining them with recitations, stories and singing appropriate to the season.

The W.M.S. Auxiliary of St. Andrew's Church, Stratford, celebrated their Golden Jubilee. Greetings were received from Provincial and Presbyterial Societies; Knox Auxiliary; Mrs. F. Mathieson, former minister's wife; and nearby Auxiliaries. Each of the five organizations in the Society provided a number on the programme, Central Auxiliary staging an old time meeting with old time costumes and passages grave and gay. A service of remembrance was fittingly observed. The ''Passing of the Torch'' was carried out by Mrs. J. McCabe. A Life Membership and pins were presented to worthy members. The birthday cake was cut by the oldest member, Mrs. J. R. Gourley. On the preceding Sunday evening the Church service was in charge of the Auxiliary, Miss M. E. Tier, Stratford, giving an educative and inspiring address on ''Missions in Canada'' under the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Jonathan Goforth addressed a capacity audience in St. Paul's Church, Peterborough. She recalled her first visit there as a bride, and subsequent visits when on furlough, telling interesting experiences in the work. The Mission Band was present and presented Mrs. Goforth with flowers. Refreshments were served and old acquaintances renewed at the close of the meeting.

A Presbyterial Mission Band rally was held at Port Hope, 85 children present, members taking part in the devotions and other items on the programme. Miss M. Walker, Peterborough, gave an address and Mrs. D. Ewart and Dr. Hunter Palmer spoke briefly. The banner was won by the ''Lightbearers'' of Cobourg. Games were enjoyed and lunch served by the ladies of Port Hope. Campbellford Auxiliary held an afternoon tea and sale of home baking, plants, bulbs, and sewing. Proceeds were $52.00.

The annual meeting of Maitland P.S. was held in Teeswater. Reports were encouraging. The meeting was addressed by Rev. A. and Mrs. MacKay, Miss Marion Williamson and Miss Dorothy Douglas, missionaries on furlough; Miss C. Campbell, late of India; and Miss P. B. Lamont, Field Secretary. Mrs. K. McLean is their new President. Mrs. R. McWhinney, retiring President, was tendered a vote of thanks for her work during the past five years.

Sarnia P.S. met in Strathroy for their 21st annual meeting, 150 delegates registered. Miss Marion Williamson addressed both afternoon and evening meetings. Mrs. J. G. Inkster, Toronto, brought greetings from the Provincial Board and conducted the election and installation of officers.

The 21st anniversary of Saugeen P.S. was observed when the annual meeting was held at Conn, sessions morning and afternoon. Mrs. A. MacKay, India, brought a vivid word picture of her work there. Miss Lamont gave much valuable assistance in her discussion of the work and its problems. A three-storey birthday cake was attractively lighted with candles, and cut by Mrs. Coutts of Conn. The Auxiliary of Conn served dinner to the delegates and visitors.

Correction re Provincial Officers.—Mrs. A. W. Talbot, Toronto, is the new Life Membership Secretary, and Mrs. K. N. Cooper, Collingwood, the new Home Helpers' Secretary.

QUEBEC

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Kindergarten Closing

THE closing exercises of the Chinese kindergarten, Montreal, were held on the afternoon of June 21st. The little performers were greeted with the usual large appreciative audience of Chinese and Canadian friends, who eagerly respond to an invitation to any entertainment furnished by the children.

Miss Hattie Jue.

The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the school. These consisted of the perfect repetition of Psalm 121, in English, followed by a Chinese hymn. The closing prayer was in English, followed by the Lord's Prayer in Chinese. This was very beautiful, although the teachers were rather non-plussed, when a boy with a high, clear voice led the others in a different prayer from the one chosen for the occasion. However, the right one was then repeated and the audience were quite unconscious that a mistake had been made.

The chairman was Mr. A. M. Nairn, the constant friend of the Chinese work in Montreal. Mrs. W. E. Baker, the President, brought the greetings of Montreal Presbyterial. Dr. A. S. Reid also brought a message of greeting and congratulation. Mr. David Lem spoke on behalf of the Chinese Y.M.C.I. in whose building our work is carried on.

Pleasing items on the programme included: Mother Goose action songs by the tiny tots, piano solos by two little girls in Mrs. Trill's music class, and the merry-go-round game. The children's drill has always been a prominent feature of the programme, and the Garland Drill was very pretty and effective.

Miss Dickson, on behalf of Miss Jue, Mrs. Herman, and herself, thanked the mothers and friends for their sympathetic interest and co-operation in their work for the children. She reported an enrollment for the year of 34, with 12 children going on to public school in September.

The outstanding item on this year's programme, was the presentation to Miss Hattie Jue of a beautiful suitcase. The presentation was made, on behalf of the mothers of the kindergarten children, by Mrs. Chue, who very fittingly expressed their gratitude and appreciation of all she had done for the little ones. Miss Jue is taking a year's well-earned furlough in China. She holds the unique record of never being a day absent, in five years, from her work in the school. Eternity alone will reveal what her personal influence and faithful teaching have meant in the lives of the children who have passed through the school under her constant care, during the past eight years.

Mrs. Baker presented the book of simple Bible stories given to each ''graduate'', and the happy afternoon closed with refreshments provided by the Presbyterial.

SASKATCHEWAN

MRS. E. G. D. MACEACHERN, 1934 VICTORIA AVE., REGINA, PRESS SECRETARY

MISS PELTON has been in Regina Presbyterial giving leadership courses and doing organization work among the young women of the Presbyterian Churches in Regina. She spoke both at Moose Jaw and Weyburn to the Auxiliaries and at Weyburn to the young women. On June 16th Miss Lily Macarthur and Miss Pelton addressed the Presbyterian congregation and the Auxiliary of the W.M.S. at Bekevar.

A record attendance is anticipated for this session of the summer school at Saskatoon.

Moose Jaw P.S.—The annual Easter Thank-offering meeting of the W.M.S. Auxiliary of Knox Church was addressed by Miss Lily Simpson of Weyburn, a missionary on furlough from Jhansi, India. Miss Simpson was attired in native costume, and gave an illustrated lecture on her work. Many curios displayed by the speaker added to the enjoyment of the evening. Mrs. D. M. Craig presided over the meeting, which was brought to a close with prayer by Mrs. George Ross. The C.G.I.T., Mission Band and Young Women's Auxiliary of Knox and St. Paul Churches were represented.

The affiliation service of ''Follow the Gleam'' C.G.I.T. of Knox Church, Weyburn, was held with the Senior Auxiliary in attendance, April 26th. The meeting opened with the girls taking charge of the devotional exercises. The ladies then showed slides of the missionary work done at home and in the foreign field. After this all joined in the affiliation service, prepared by Miss Isabel Hill.

Saskatoon P.S.—At the Luseland Auxiliary meeting a résumé of the Presbyterial work for 1934, as given by the Presbyterial Secretary, was brought before the meeting by the President, Mrs. Paterson. Mrs. A. Kippen, of Salvador, dealt with the work carried on in our Hospitals and Residences. The Anglican W.A. members were guests at the meeting.

At the Easter Thank-offering meeting of Parkview Auxiliary, Rev. W. J. Pellow was the guest speaker, taking as his topic, ''The Empire's debt to Missionaries.'' A brief memorial service was held for Miss M. C. G. Fraser. The members of the Woman's League were guests at the May meeting. Two interesting papers were given, one ''The Jews and the Presbyterian Church,'' by Mrs. Pettigrew, and one by Mrs. Flavelle on ''Scott Institute in Toronto.'' Rev. R. Willis, of St. George's Church, was the guest speaker at the June meeting. His subject was ''Ye are the salt of the earth.'' The attendance was good. All reports for the half year were helpful and encouraging.

Regina P.S.—The twenty-first annual meeting was held in First Church, Regina, May 31st, sixty ladies being in attendance. The newest Auxiliary, Dunkeld, had charge of the opening devotional period and a splendid message was given by Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Roberts. Mrs. McAra, President, in her brief words of welcome, pointed out that there was much to be thankful for, in spite of the hard and trying years just past, and how fortunate they had been in having had visits from several returned missionaries—Mrs. and Mrs. C. P. Young and Miss Lily Simpson. She referred to the designation to India of Miss McSparron from Regina Presbytery.

Luncheon was served at noon when Rev. S. Farley extended the greetings of the Presbytery. Rev. Mr. MacKay Cameron and Rev. Mr. Evans of Indian Head were present and spoke briefly. Miss Laura Pelton, Young Women's Travelling Secretary gave a message which was both an inspiration and a challenge. The session was brought to a close with a Mission Band demonstration in the form of a regular meeting of ''Sunbeam'' Mission Band of First Church. This meeting was conducted entirely by the children and reflected great credit on themselves as well as the Leaders. There was also a display of the children's handwork.

Prince Albert P.S.—An enthusiastic and well attended meeting of the Presbyterial convened at Melfort with Mrs. R. G. MacKay, of Prince Albert, presiding. Delegates from Weirdale, Meath Park, Tisdale, Melfort and Prince Albert Auxiliaries were enrolled. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by ladies from St. Andrew's Auxiliary, Tisdale. Very gratifying reports for the year were read. Rev. Mr. Deltor brought greetings from Prince Albert. The guest speaker was Mrs. H. R. Horne, Provincial President.

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May 31st, 1935

RECEIPTS

Mr. and Mrs. Angus MacKay refund money advanced Mrs. MacKay for her return travel	$ 300.00
Rent of Bungalow in Japan from Eastern Division	30.00
Offering from Enlarged Council-Executive Meeting	42.05
PROVINCIAL GIVINGS:	
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Quebec	900.00
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Hospitals:	
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Vegreville	247.50
Chinese in Canada	813.15
"Cecilia Jeffrey" Indian School	608.32
Birtle Indian School	599.50
Mistawasis Indian Day School	50.00
Presbyterian Residences:	
Huntingdon	75.00
Prince Albert	79.16
New Liskeard	232.17
Saskatoon	68.33
Vegreville	828.23
Welcome and Welfare	1,171.47
Publication	604.96
Organization	650.00
Library	4.60
Candidates	22.50
Deputation	15.00
Education of Chinese Girls	15.00
Fees to the League of Nations	10.00
India:	
Bhil Field	165.85
Jhansi Field	75.00
Formosa	661.23
Japan	1,705.00
New Missionaries	271.68
Pensions	116.66
Enlarged Council-Executive Meeting	789.70
Exchange	7.85
Insurance	49.10
Administration	380.31
	$10,931.43

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The Glad Tidings

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The Enlarged Council Executive Meeting

THE Enlarged Council Executive Meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada was held in the Canadian School of Missions, 97 St. George Street, Toronto, May 28th to May 31st, 1935, Mrs. W. A. McLennan, first Vice-President, presiding in the absence, through illness, of Miss MacMurchy, the President.

Besides the members of the Council Executive resident in Toronto, there were in attendance the President and one representative from each of the six Provincial Societies: *Alberta.*—Mrs. F. W. Allott, Calgary, and Mrs. N. B. Moors, Edmonton; *British Columbia*—Mrs. R. M. Thomson, Vancouver, and Mrs. W. G. Gourlie, Vancouver; *Manitoba*—Mrs. J. S. Flook, Winnipeg and Mrs. A. Evans, Norwood; *Ontario*—Mrs. J. A. Hilts, Toronto, and Miss B. Armstrong, Ancaster; *Quebec*—Miss C. E. Cameron, Westmount, and Mrs. A. W. Lamb, Montreal; *Saskatchewan*—Mrs. H. R. Horne, Regina, and Mrs. S. Farley, Regina. In addition there were present, 4 missionaries on furlough, Miss Margaret Ramsay, of Formosa; Miss Marion Williamson and Mrs. Angus Mackay, of India; Miss Jean MacLean, of Japan; the new appointees, Miss Olwen Davies, Miss Mildred Weir, Miss Mabel Booth and Miss Isabella Hunter; Miss O. Mary Hill, Girls' Work Secretary; Miss P. B. Lamont, Field Secretary; Miss Shirley Scott, Young Women's Travelling Secretary; the Board of Trustees and the following workers in Canada—Miss Frieda Matthews, Mrs. C. Steinmetz, Mrs. F. Kovacs, Miss Mary Murray, Mrs. M. Fesenko, Miss Esther Armstrong and Miss Lily Yeung. Miss E. MacDonald, a missionary under the Eastern Division, on furlough from Japan, and Mrs. Chas. Dengate, who brought greetings from the National Girls' Work Board, were welcome guests.

Preceding the business session each morning, the devotional service in the chapel was led by the Presidents of Saskatchewan, Alberta and Manitoba Provincial Societies.

Two important public meetings were held—the first, an open session on Finance and Organizations, in Knox Church School Room, on the Tuesday afternoon; the second, a public missionary meeting on the Thursday evening, in Calvin Presbyterian Church.

The Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving

"For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus be forever blest.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!"

THE Service was in charge of Miss C. E. Cameron who paid a loving and impressive tribute to the life and service of our late beloved Editor, Miss Mamie C. G. Fraser. Mrs. D. T. L. McKerroll spoke briefly of the service rendered by other consecrated workers who have passed away—Mrs. M. B. McQuesten, Miss I. S. Pringle, Mrs. A. J. MacLean, Mrs. McKenzie Alexander, Mrs. W. McK. MacLeod, and Mrs. John Buchanan, M.D.

Following these memorial tributes the service closed with the singing of Psalm 19:

"The Lord's My Shepherd."

IT was of great interest to hear the Treasurer, Mrs. Strachan, say: "Our Society is in an excellent position financially, no work has been curtailed, no missionaries have been withdrawn, and no bills were left unpaid at the end of the year." She called attention to the great need of expansion in the Deaconess department, to the need for more missionaries, and appealed for increased aid for Christian Literature.

The numerical strength of the Society is seen in the following figures: 6 Provincial Societies; 41 Presbyterials; 728 Auxiliaries; 230 Young Women's Auxiliaries; 263 Girls' Organizations; 561 Mission Bands; 68 Associate Societies; 1,902 branches; 18,465 subscriptions to *Glad Tidings*; 46,640 members; $244,343.26 total receipts from all sources.

In the quiet stillness of the chapel Mrs. A. W. Lamb gave the closing message, "At times when we strive and strive and seem to fail, seeing no visible results, may we bear in mind that 'the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are unseen are eternal'."

"Behold the amazing gift of love," was sung, and the Enlarged Council Executive meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. McLennan.

FINANCES

Pension Fund

MRS. D. STRACHAN reported that there are 28 W.M.S. missionaries connected with the Pension Fund of the Church at the present time, of these 22 are Overseas missionaries and 6 are National missionaries.

During the year Mrs. Angus MacKay (Miss Catharine Moodie) withdrew from the Fund by reason of her marriage and Miss M. C. G. Fraser was removed by death. Two missionaries were added to the Fund during 1934, Miss Mary Todd, deaconess, and Miss Ida McSparron, India. The

W.M.S. continue to pay two Special Pensions to Dr. Margaret O'Hara and Miss Jessie Parsons, and also make, through the Pension Board, a special retiring allowance of $300 a year to Miss Bertha Robson.

The Pension rates paid into the Fund during 1934 by those missionaries connected with it were $313.97, and the amount paid into the Fund by the W.M.S. was $1,338.75, making the total rates $1,652.72.

The estimates for 1935 allow $1,900 for this Fund. This includes rates as above mentioned, also the amount required to meet the two Special Pensions and the special retiring allowance after deducting the interest on the Bonds held by the Pension Fund.

Trustees

Mrs. D. T. L. McKerroll stated that three deeds had been added to the list held by the trustees: the complete deed to the Selkirk property; the deed of the lot at Wanham; and the deed of the property bequeathed by the late Mary Eliza Mills.

DEPARTMENTS OF WORK

Auxiliaries

MRS. DONALD GORDON stressed the need of a Secretary for the Senior Auxiliaries, particularly to help the isolated groups. She paid a tribute to Alberta, the only Provincial to show an increase in all departments.

''Keep in touch,'' she urged, ''with the groups who are so far away from everyone, so that they will not feel the only time any one cares about them is at the end of the year when they send in reports.''

Home Helpers

In the absence of Mrs. Logie, the Home Helpers report was read by Mrs. Ballantyne. Attention was drawn to the splendid contribution made by the Home Helpers to the Special Campaign Fund, and also to their increased subscriptions to *Glad Tidings*. Mrs. Logie paid tribute to the Secretaries and visitors, who deserve much credit for the work they have done in building up this department. Study circles for Home Helpers were suggested.

Young Women's Auxiliaries

In presenting the Young Women's report, Mrs. Holman stated, ''Increased enthusiasm in this department is due to Miss Pelton's Lectures on Leadership, the Young Women's Leaders' Fellowships which have been organized in those Presbyterials where these Lectures have been given, and the Study Charts introduced by Miss Scott. The Young Women are alive as never before to the missionary enterprise.''

Girls' Organizations

An increase in all departments was reported by Mrs. Kelman. ''The 'teen-age girl,'' she said, ''is the important link joining the

Mission Band and the Young Women together.'' Tribute was paid to Miss O. Mary Hill who is preparing the girls' study book for next year, on Formosa, and the youth programme for the World Day of Prayer.

Mission Bands

''As a Society, if we are to carry on we must train our children, even as the nations of the world train their children according to their ideals,'' stated Mrs. Riddell in presenting her report.

There are four parts to the Mission Band programme—worship, fellowship, study, and service.

Suggested ways in which Auxiliaries may help the Bands are: (1) Organize a Band and find a Leader; (2) Encourage and help your Leader; (3) Tell the Mission Band mothers of our work; (4) Visit and encourage the Band; (5) Present Junior Memberships; (6) Provide supplies; (7) Arrange that missionaries may speak at Mission Band rallies.

Announcement was made that the new study book will be ready in September.

FIELD SECRETARIES, CANDIDATES, STUDENTS

Field Secretaries

MISS LAMONT traced the different methods of field work from the first few years, when it was simply giving an address to individual groups, up to the present. A new plan to be adopted for the future was outlined in detail. ''Training in self help,'' she said, ''is one of the great principles in Christian education.'' Presbyterial Executives were urged to do follow up work after a Field Secretary's visit.

Miss O. Mary Hill reviewed her work and its purpose, describing her methods and touching upon the encouraging and some discouraging aspects. She stated, that increased givings and supplies indicated a greater interest in missionary work. ''It isn't that the Leaders do not want to plan missionary programmes,'' she said, ''it is because they don't know how.''

Miss Scott outlined her work during the year in the Young Women's department. She reported that through the use of the study charts more members are taking an active part in the meetings.

Candidates

''Since the annual report was written,'' stated Mrs. Grant, ''two appointments have been made, one to overseas work, and one to part time service in national work. Miss Isabella T. Hunter, of Fort William, has been accepted for evangelistic work in Manchuria, and Miss Mabel M. Booth, of Toronto, has been appointed to half-time work in the Ukrainian Mission in Toronto.'' Mrs. Grant spoke of the ''Ewart

Fund'', established by Mrs. Ewart to help candidates in their preparation for overseas service, and of what it had meant to the Candidates Department during the past seven or eight years.

''The three foremost needs,'' said Mrs. Grant, ''are a medical woman for the MacKay Memorial Hospital, in Formosa; a medical woman for the Korean settlement in Japan, and a nurse-evangelist for Manchuria. We are asking you, the women of the Provinces, to take these urgent needs home with you. Have them on your hearts, on your consciences and on your lips, whenever and wherever you are speaking of mission work.''

Miss Booth expressed her joy in the opportunity given her to serve her Master among the Ukrainian people in Toronto.

Miss Mabel Booth

Students

''Simple hospitality in Christian homes is the best means of helping the student away from home,'' stated Mrs. Calvin. She suggested that the list of students received by each Auxiliary be made available for everybody, and that telephone numbers as well as addresses be given when sending in names of students.

SUPPLIES, LIBRARY, LANTERN SLIDES, PUBLICATIONS

Supplies

IT was with a feeling of gratitude for what has been accomplished by every branch of our organization that Mrs. Fletcher reviewed the work of the Supply Department. Hospitals and Residences have been provided with the necessary linen and bedding; children in our Indian Schools have been clothed; many bales of quilts and clothing have found their way into the hands of our Deaconesses to be used as practical expressions of interest and sympathy; Christmas gifts were provided for the Chinese women and children who attend the various classes; 33 Mission Fields and 5 Indian Reserves received bales of quilts and clothing. An appeal for supplies for Western Relief brought a response of 10½ tons of clothing and bedding. Presbyterial Supply Secretaries were asked to have freight bills correctly receipted, to have invoice forms properly filled out and to use the official receipt slips provided. It was urged that outfits for the children in our Indian Schools be complete and not only substantial but attractive as well.

Library

''A postage stamp is so efficient and can do so much in this department,'' said Miss Kerr. Secretaries were urged to bring the work of this department before the Auxilaries. Appreciation was expressed to The Maclean Publishing Company for 25 copies of *The Chatelaine* every month; to the Upper Canada Tract Society for generous donations of S.S. papers, calendars and picture rolls, and to the Bible Society for a discount on all Bibles, Gospels and portions of Scripture.

Lantern Slides

''One picture is worth 10,000 words.'' This old Chinese proverb was quoted by Miss Lang in stressing the educational value of Lantern Slides. ''World friendship is our aim,'' she stated, ''and we must know something of other lands. So we ask our missionaries to send us pictures and information about these people whom we are trying to 'win for Christ.' Our lantern slides, we hope, will help in teaching our young people, especially, what is being done by our missionaries in the cause of world peace and the establishment of Christ's sovereignty throughout the world.'' The Lantern Slide Committee hope to have a new set on Manchuria ready some time in the fall.

''Glad Tidings''

''The *Glad Tidings,*'' said Mrs. Holman, acting Editor, ''during the ten years of its existence, has brought to its thousands of subscribers, a continuing picture of the work which they support, and a vision of some of the implications of that task in the areas in which it is carried on. Through those ten years, one Editor has served with loyalty and devotion. In every great undertaking, the name and personality of some one person becomes inseparably associated with it. One will never think of the *Glad Tidings* without thinking of our late beloved Editor, Miss Mamie C. G. Fraser. For several years she dreamed a dream. That dream was her objective—25,000 subscribers for the magazine so dear to her heart. No more fitting tribute can be paid to her than to make that dream come true. In loving remembrance, let us during 1935-36 bring fulfilment to the objective she set before us.''

Publications

A very busy year in this department was reported by Mrs. Ballantyne, who stated that, ''unrelenting enthusiasm on the part of the Secretaries has kindled a flame in the hearts of the members and made them literature minded.'' The new Mission Band study book, ''Friends Around the World,'' membership cards for Auxiliaries, a paper bound copy of ''Miracle Lives of China,'' and the possibility of a short biography on the life of Miss Agnes Dickson to be ready by fall, were announced.

OUR NATIONAL WORK

Chinese in Canada

MRS. WOOD, in reviewing the Chinese work, spoke of the wonderful opportunity of spreading the gospel to the 50,000 Chinese in Canada, many of whom will eventually return to China to live. ''What a wonderful band of missionaries this would be,'' said Mrs. Wood, ''if we could send them home all Christian Chinese.'' She outlined the work at the various points in Canada, drawing attention to some of the difficulties encountered.

Miss Esther Armstrong referred to the Chinese grade school which has been started in Toronto, with a Chinese teacher in charge and 20 pupils in attendance.

Miss Lily Yeung gave a brief report of the work of her kindergarten where 26 children are enrolled, one-half of the class being four years of age and under. Besides her work in the kindergarten Miss Yeung teaches music to 10 Chinese children.

Chinese Kindergarten Children, Victoria

Welcome and Welfare and Deaconess Department

''The original intent or meaning of welcome and welfare has changed,'' stated Mrs. McLennan, ''and now embraces not only the newcomers but all who need a ministry of cheer, comfort, friendship, or even material help.'' Attention was drawn to a new leaflet which has been prepared, setting out the enlarged aims of the department.

She reported 14 Deaconesses on the staff and 4 part-time workers. ''Our policy,'' she said, ''is not to give assistance to a congregation, but to an area that the Church is not at present reaching. When such assistance is given it does not mean that this is permanent work but, rather, that those to whom help has been given should look forward to the time when they can carry on for themselves.''

Miss Mary Murray told of the new work she had undertaken last year, that of visiting the sick in the Dunlap Building for X-ray. ''Never in my twenty-one years of hospital visiting have I seen so much to do. The work in every hospital has grown during the depression years.''

Mrs. Kovacs gave a vivid picture of the Hungarian settlement at Bekevar, Sask., where the second and third generation are all speaking Hungarian. About 30 years ago these people came out from the old country, settled as farmers in Bekevar, which means Peace Fort, and built a church there.

Miss Frieda Matthews spoke of the wonderful faith of the women in her large district, and told of some interesting incidents in connection with her work as Deaconess-at-large.

''Because of unemployment among our people we are having to deal with many radicals,'' was the statement of Mrs. Steinmetz. Numerically there are 5,000 Hungarians in Toronto and about 25 per cent. of these are Presbyterian. She urged further support and love for the Hungarian people, who are in a strange country, very different from their own.

Hungarian Girl in Native Costume

Hospitals

Mrs. Poole paid warm tribute to the Hospital Aids of Vegreville, Alta., and Canora, Sask., who have expended, during the past six years, large sums of money in gifts for our hospitals. These generous gifts include such necessary equipment as the latest model in operating room table, operating room shadowless lamp, sterilizer, surgical bed, washing machine, Frigidaire and many other articles.

Indians

Mrs. McKerroll reported that following the representations of all denominations to the Government, part of the cut in the Government grants was restored. She presented the need of a missionary worker on the Indian Reserves, to do follow up work among the young people who have attended our schools.

A beautiful quilt, the work of the women of the Rolling River Reserve, with a picture of their church embroidered in the centre, was displayed.

Residences

Mrs. Poole, in speaking to her report, stated that every Residence showed a decrease in attendance except Saskatoon. The conditions and problems of the different Residences were outlined, and the question was raised: Are School Residences needed today, and if so, are they needed in the places where they are now situated?

OVERSEAS MISSIONS

British Guiana

MRS. RICE, who is looking forward with high hopes for greater work in the future in British Guiana, spoke of three sections there, where a deaconess evangelist is badly needed. In referring to our Church's reconstructive policy in this field, she said: ''We rejoiced when the request came for a lady principal for the Berbice Girls' High School, and that we were able to respond to that request so quickly by the appointment of Miss Olwen Davies.'' She paid tribute to Dr. Cropper for the work he did in the school while we were without a worker.

Miss Olwen Davies, our missionary designate to British Guiana, spoke briefly, telling of her desire to influence the non-Christian girls in the school so that they may have the desire to spread the gospel among their own people.

Japan

''Each Korean,'' stated Mrs. McGillivray, ''when he becomes a Christian goes out to tell others what he has heard and seen and so becomes a missionary. No doubt that is one reason why the Mission has been blessed. Then, too, all the workers and other Christians are constant in prayer. This makes for unity of purpose among all.'' Self support is stressed in this field, and Christian groups as a rule build their own churches and support their own pastor. She closed her message emphasizing two needs, ''more workers are needed to build up a strong Christian Church, but perhaps the greatest need of all is a consecrated woman, willing to spend her medical talent for the women and children in the poor district of Osaka, such a Doctor is a very pressing need.''

Miss MacLean told of the emphasis placed by the missionaries on self support and self propagation. ''All Christian Koreans,'' she said, ''should feel they must go out and touch other lives.'' She spoke impressively of the stress laid on prayer in all the work of this field.

Manchuria and South China

Miss Reid, speaking to her report on South China, stated that no modern Canadian hospital could send out a better report of work than that which came from Dr. Jessie MacBean of Hackett Medical College, Canton. The work is hampered, however, by shortage of funds for a new building and a reduced staff for their increasing opportunities. In referring to the work made possible by our grant to the Church of Christ in China, tribute was paid to Mrs. Burkwall's continued help in every department. The recent ordination of four ''women deacons'' was noted, also the utter devotion of the Bible women in their vocation.

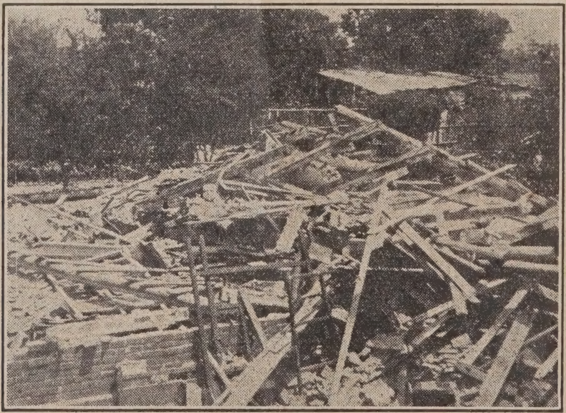
The importance of Christian Literature in China today was stressed as our grants to the Christian Literature Society, Shanghai, and to Mrs. W. G. Davis' work in Manchuria were reported.

The homecoming of the Rev. Doctor and Mrs. Goforth, of Manchuria, was referred to, also the appointment by the Church of the Rev. E. H. and Mrs. Johnson to succeed them. She reported that in accordance with a request from the Board of Missions to appoint two evangelists to Manchuria, Miss Isabella T. Hunter had been accepted for evangelistic work in that field. Miss Reid stated that as it is the policy of our Council not to send one woman worker to Manchuria alone, Miss Hunter's going will be deferred until a nurse-evangelist be appointed to accompany her. The exact time of their going will be determined by the Council on the field.

Miss Hunter, being presented to the Council, said it was the urgent appeals of missionaries for workers that had stirred her deeply and influenced her to offer herself for missionary service.

Formosa

Mrs. Martin, in presenting her report, outlined the present conditions and problems of our work in Formosa. ''Our missionaries,'' she said, ''have anxiously watched the progress of Japanese nationalism and its effect on the Chinese Formosans with apprehension. This Japanizing of Formosa naturally affects the work of our missionaries and its influence is felt in two departments, evangelism and education. The educational requirement issued necessitated the withdrawal from our school curriculum of subjects taught in Chinese. The use of the Formosan language is forbidden during school hours. The Bible has now to be taught in Japanese. The new regulations mean that the missionaries must study the Japanese



All that remained of one Church after the earthquake. Ten Churches were either destroyed, or so badly damaged that repairs are impossible.

language as well as the Chinese.'' She emphasized the need for a woman doctor for Mackay Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Martin read extracts from recent letters, telling of the earthquake disaster, of the relief work being carried on by our missionaries, and of how our grant of $2,800 is being used to build churches and homes for the stricken Christian people.

Miss Mildred Weir, R.N., was introduced and told of her desire to serve the people of Formosa to the best of her ability and to help to remove the shadow that hangs over that country.

India

Mrs. McMurrich expressed appreciation to Mrs. Angus MacKay and Mrs. C. P. Young for their splendid contribution to our work, in addressing meetings from coast to coast. She told of a Bhil girl, the grand-daughter of one of Dr. Buchanan's first converts, who wishes to study medicine. ''We are exceedingly happy about our buildings,'' said Mrs. McMurrich. ''The new Girls' Hostel at Jhansi is being built. The Mary Broadbent Training Home for Nurses and Bible women, and the Louise Henderson Maternity Ward are going to increase the usefulness of the Jobat Hospital. We are also furnishing the two rooms and bathroom included in the improvements to the hospital, and are only waiting for estimates from the field to send out the money to install electric light in the Children's Home.'' In closing Mrs McMurrich paid a beautiful tribute to the late Mrs. J. Buchanan, M.D.

Mrs. Angus MacKay described in detail the growth and activities of the Helen Macdonald School. She also told of the plans with regard to co-education and touched on other phases of the work in Jhansi. She expressed the hope that the girls, when they come through our schools, will go out as Christian leaders.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

Business—Unfinished.—*Re* printing names of Life Members in *Glad Tidings.* Agreed ''That no action be taken this year.''

Special Campaign Fund.—Mrs. Strachan reported that the balance of the $25,000 had been made up from the Sustaining Fund, and that this sum had been forwarded to be used for the liquidation of the accumulated Church deficit reported in 1932, *viz.*, $184,000.

Constitution.—*Re* **Change in By-law,** section XXI, page 231, 1933, Annual Report and **Appointment of Trustee.**—Agreed, ''That the number of Trustees be five, one only to be a member of the Council Executive, who shall be the chairman.'' Agreed, ''That Mrs. Donald be elected to fill the vacancy on the Trustee Board.''

Re **Miss Shirley Scott's Appointment as Young Women's Travelling Secretary.**—Agreed, ''That Miss Scott's engagement as Young Women's Travelling Secretary terminate on the expiration of her year.''

Business—New. Estimates for 1936.—Agreed that our estimate remain $160,000.

Survey of institutions in Saskatchewan.—No action was taken.

Temperance Education.—Agreed, "That no action be taken on this resolution."

Re **Survey of Chinese families in Saskatchewan.**—Agreed, "That this matter be referred to the National and Finance Committees."

Re **Daily Bible Readings in "Glad Tidings".**—Agreed, "That this be referred to the Editorial Committee."

Memorial to Miss Fraser.—Agreed, "That this year a special effort be made to increase the *Glad Tidings* subscriptions to 25,000 as a memorial to Miss Fraser, as this was her objective. The following methods to be used to accomplish this: (1) That the October or November meeting be set aside as *Glad Tidings Day;* (2) That a special programme be prepared, and appear in September *Glad Tidings.*"

Gold Mite Boxes.—Agreed, "That with a view to conserving small amounts in our organization, we leave to each Provincial to use the gold mite boxes as they see fit for our estimates."

Grant *Re* **Formosa Earthquake.**—Agreed, "That the $2,800 be taken permanently from the Formosa Forward Movement Fund."

Evening Auxiliaries.—Agreed, "That Provincials urge Presbyterials to make a survey and see if there is a need for Evening Auxiliaries, and if Evening Auxiliaries can be organized; that these be included in the senior department; that one Vice-President on the Presbyterial be put in charge; that more young women be given recognition in the work of the Presbyterial and that the Young Women be allowed to arrange their programme for the Young Women's night at the annual Presbyterial meeting, in consultation with the Presbyterial officers."

Grant for Presbyterial Executives Travelling Expenses.—Agreed, "That the grant for Presbyterial Executives Travelling Expenses be sent out to the Provincials for the purpose of promotion work through the medium of the Presbyterials wherever it may be felt best."

Student Volunteer Movement. — Agreed, "That, although unestimated for, delegates be sent to the convention to be held in Indianapolis in December."

Request for Deaconess for New Westminster.—Agreed, "That this matter be referred to the National Committee."

Weirdale Hospital, Saskatchewan.—Agreed, "That whereas it is difficult at the moment to see where the funds can be secured for any special grants, but because of the necessity of this piece of work, and, of its effect on our Church's advancement in this frontier field, therefore this meeting of Enlarged Council Executive would place itself on record as fully in sympathy with granting the Weirdale request for a grant of $500 toward their proposed hospital; and that such grant be made on the following definite conditions and agreements:

1. That the property, building and land be secured to the W.M.S. of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.
2. That the property be rented to the local hospital committee at a purely nominal sum, which would be merely enough to bind the contract.
3. That the W.M.S. be not responsible for equipment.

4. That the W.M.S. assume no responsibility for maintenance or management of the hospital.
5. That steps be taken to find out from Weirdale at what times and in what amounts it will be necessary to pay this grant.''

Next Council Meeting.—Agreed, ''That the question of the next meeting be left in the hands of the Council Executive as to the place and type of meeting.''

Notice of Motion was given for any changes that may be necessary in the Constitution and By-laws during the ensuing year.

Officers.—The officers of the Council Executive for 1935-36 appear on the inside cover of this issue.

THE CHALLENGE OF THE BHIL FIELD

An address by Mr. C. P. Young

Mrs. McMurrich introduced Miss Marion Williamson, Principal of the Amkhut School, Central India, who, owing to an attack of laryngitis was unable to address the meeting, Rev. C. P. Young, of Mendha, Central India, very graciously replacing her on the programme.

THE Bhils are an aboriginal tribe of India, speaking a language of their own and numbering about a million people. There are other aboriginal tribes, numbering about nine millions and other missions work among them.

Our field is about 340 miles north-east of the city of Bombay. We work in a native state. One has to be careful living in a native state, not to give offense. For instance, one must not build a bungalow higher than the Prince's palace.

We speak of the Bhils as an aboriginal people because they were there before other people came. After them came Greeks, Tartars, Mohammedans and finally the English. India has been swept again and again by invasions and each one has left an effect on the language. There are today 221 languages, and 500 dialects in India.

The Bhils are not dark skinned people, but brown. They do not worship idols but are spirit worshippers and animists. They drive a stake in a field to stop evil spirits from hurting the crops. They string straw ropes across the villages to stop the spirits which cause suffering, illness and death. Little bundles of food are tied in trees to satisfy the evil spirits, because after they have eaten they won't do any harm to the person who provided the food.

I will speak of Dr. and Mrs. Buchanan and Miss Bertha Robson and their work, because they pioneered in the work among the Bhils. There are 600 or 700 Christians among the Bhils today and they have only about 35 years of a heritage of the gospel. When missionaries first went into that hilly country, they found the Bhils a timid people, afflicted with an inferiority complex, but really very friendly and a loyal hearted people.

Like so many people they want to do what is right if some one just tells them how.

Dr. Buchanan started to do three things when he first went into the Bhil field, medical work, educational work and evangelistic work. These three are carried on to a greater or lesser extent by us all. Teachers in our schools are not only teaching in the school but are also carrying on evangelistic work. Some of the medical men have laid down their instruments and have gone out on evangelistic work—the greatest work of all.

These tribes are absolutely local in their outlook. Each tribe speaks its own dialect and lives within its own little circumscribed circle. A missionary has to educate them to think along many lines.

What has been accomplished? There are schools and about 13 teachers in Amkhut. These teachers are people the missionaries have brought up, not only to know enough to teach the people, but to have enough Christian principles to be able to preach the gospel. We have to choose those who are worthy to train the people. Others have been chosen for preaching. These pastors are the product of the love of Christ. Tremendous credit is due to Miss Robson who not only educated them in reading, writing and arithmetic but also in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

When we started home mission work these people said they wanted to give a tenth and asked that it be kept out of their small wages—the highest paid man worker gets $8.00 a month. We said, ''no, but when you get your salaries, you can give back a tenth and it will be added to the fund.'' This was done. One poor widow gets $20 a year and gives to Home Missions 96 cents a year. Do you know that the average offering in Canada is the same as that poor widow's 96 cents a year?

For the work in India, in Canada and all over the world, let us too, put our hand in our pocket and give till it hurts.

SOWING FORMOSA WITH THE GOSPEL

An address by Miss Margaret Ramsay

TO give a little insight into our work in Formosa, I am going to take two new viewpoints. First, the impressions one gets in going into a new country for the first time.

When one arrives on the field, the things one sees and the actions of some of the people are quite a shock. There is the fun and monotony of using a new language, until the time comes to go out and speak it, and then the fear that despite the hard work you won't become proficient. There is the harder task of exploring the evolutions of the oriental mind and it is possibly providential that the language is acquired so slowly. There is the general confusion of sound out there. People talk in loud voices. Drivers of cars seem to think that the louder the horn blows the bigger the car. Bicycles with bells ring constantly. Processions pass with weird music.

A number of smells and odors are impressed on one rather unwillingly but one gets used to them.

The people at first seem so uncouth and so rude. They stare at us, talk about us, are very curious and ask a great number of questions. Yet there is another side of these people, after one gets to know them more intimately. So the feeling of strangeness gradually wears away. Our definite time for study ends and we start out to do the work. Mine is country work among the women and children in little groups in the villages and in their homes.

Our aim is that these women and children will learn to read, and learn to read the Bible themselves. We use a romanized alphabet. My first three weeks in a district are usually spent in this elementary study of reading. This opens up the way for these people, who have never read before, to read the Christian gospel. Along with the teaching we usually teach them some singing as well. Apart from the musical side, it has an important part to play when they become members of a church, as the music makes them feel at home.

One meets many kinds of people. Let me take you on a visit to the homes of these people. The first home is on the main street of one of the larger cities. We go in through a shop to a larger room in the rear, to meet six women—one great grandmother, two grandmothers, mother, daughter and daughter-in-law. While the lesson goes on, one son is making macaroni, chickens run about, dogs, cats and children run in and out, but we have our own little corner and the women are so interested we are able to carry on. When we leave several weeks later, they can read.

Miss Margaret Ramsay

In another village, there was a man dying of tuberculosis, who had heard the message in the local church. He wanted to hear more about the Bible and his last request was that he have a Christian burial. Although his wife was not a Christian she had the local preacher conduct the funeral. One year later, on going back to that village, I found his wife and his mother had also recently taken a tremendous interest in Christianity. After the husband had died, his wife began to read the Bible and she hoped some day to become worthy enough to become a church member.

One last short visit in another village. This time to the home of a pastor just before going to bed. A portion of Scripture is read, prayers are given—prayers that the lives of those people, into which we have been glimpsing, will be changed from the life of fear of their own religion into a life of peace as followers of Jesus Christ.

WHERE THE NEED IS GREAT

An address by Miss Frieda Matthews

MY field is east of the city of Red Deer, Alberta, and takes in seven school districts. It is not prairie land but a rolling country. Most of the homes have been established thirty or forty years, and are very comfortable. New settlers have come in and some of the newer homes are not so comfortable. I wish some of my mothers had a few of the conveniences of a city home, for many of them have to carry water long distances from sloughs.

Three years ago I was given a horse to ride. When the cold weather came I got a horse and a cart, then I graduated to a team. I still use the team in winter, but in summer use a car.

There is a Mission Band in each school, which is held at 3.30 p.m., after school hours, and two girls' groups. Some of the children belong to other denominations but we do not stress denomination out there. The two Young People's Societies were started to keep the young people in the church. They are held on alternating Sabbaths with church services and the young people have rallied round the church in a wonderful way. The four Ladies' Aids do beautiful sewing.

Two years ago, a new venture in Sabbath Schools was started in a district where they were having an occasional service from an Anglican minister. It was carried on during the summer months, but because of the great distance, it was closed in the winter.

For the first time, a mothers' day service was held this year, and there were 33 present. The faith and loyalty of these women are helping the work in the west.

Our first camp was started on faith. We had 35 the first year. It grew the second year and this year we expect more to be present. We are hoping some time to have our own camp site.

Relief work has become a necessity. The last few years conditions have been very pathetic. Last year when I left for camp the crops were in splendid shape. When I returned ten days later, even the leaves on the trees, and the grass had been cut off by a hail storm. The people found this loss of crop very hard to bear, because after the storm came a dry spell. Every day for the last three or four months I have heard of the loss of cattle from lack of food. It is with a great deal of joy that one is able to go to these people and if they need clothing to tell them, ''The Women's Missionary Society has sent some.'' Last Christmas I asked a little lad what he wanted Santa to bring him. He said, ''Oh, Miss Matthews, if Santa Claus would only bring me some real warm clothes!''

There was once a bugler in an army. During the battle an officer asked him to blow ''retreat.'' The boy put his bugle to his mouth and blew ''advance.'' Three times the officer asked him to blow ''retreat'' and every time the boy blew ''advance.'' At last the officer asked him why he did not blow ''retreat'' and the lad answered, ''Because I do not know how.'' This is the message that I want to leave with you. We, the Women's Missionary Society, do not know the word ''retreat.'' Let us go forward for our Master and our Lord, so that we may bring many to know His name and the greatness of His salvation.

Designated to Work in British Guiana

AN impressive service was held in the Presbyterian Church, Willowdale, Ontario, May 23rd, when Miss Olwen Davies, B.A., was designated as a missionary to British Guiana, under the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

The service was conducted by the Presbytery of Toronto, and was presided over by the Moderator, Rev. A. R. Skinner, B.A., who gave the charge to the missionary. Rev. J. C. Davies, father of the designate, read the Scripture; Rev. A. C. Stewart, M.A., Convener of the Presbytery's Foreign Missionary Committee, made the address; Mrs. A. B. Rice, of Toronto, Secretary for British Guiana, presented the missionary for designation and gave her a Bible from the Council Executive of the Women's Missionary Society. The right hand of fellowship was given to the newly designated missionary by members of Presbytery.

Miss Olwen Davies, B.A.

A daughter of the manse, a graduate of Toronto University, Ontario College of Education, and of the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home, Miss Davies is eminently fitted to fill the position of Principal of the Girls' High School, in Berbice.

''And when at evenfall, the stars,
Dark hills of heaven jet,
They are not stars to me, but lamps
That waiting mothers set
On window-sills
Of heaven —
That we may not forget.''

Editorial Notes

Dr. MacBean on Sick Leave

THE members of our Society will learn with regret that Dr. Jessie A. MacBean, our much loved missionary at Hackett Medical College, Canton, China, has been obliged to return to Canada for medical treatment. Immediately on her return to Toronto Dr. MacBean underwent an operation on August 12th, from which she is now recuperating.

What Dr. MacBean means to Hackett Medical College is best expressed by the following paragraph in a letter received from Canton.

> ''The unexpected leaving of Dr. MacBean for home on account of poor health is profoundly regretted. Her work has been most helpful. During her ten years of service here she has built up the Department of Obstetrics to a degree of efficiency that that department has never known before, and is recognized as the best in Canton. Her strong personality and wide experience have made this possible. Her leaving at this time affects very seriously the work and incidentally the income of the whole hospital, and we have no one in sight to take her place. We will miss her greatly and pray for her early recovery and return to Hackett.
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> ''We wish also to express our sincere appreciation to the Canadian Presbyterian Church for their generous annual appropriations. Yours sincerely,
>
> R. W. WONG, M.D. (*President*)
> J. F. KARCHER, M.D. (*Provost*)''.

We rejoice that to our Society has been given the privilege of supporting such a missionary, and, with all our members, join in praying for her recovery and also for the work in China so dear to her heart.—*H.M.S.*

A Missionary Bereaved

THE sympathy of every member of the Women's Missionary Society will go out in full measure to Miss Esther Armstrong in the death of her father, Mr. E. J. Armstrong, of Vancouver. Miss Armstrong is in charge of the work among the Chinese in Toronto, under the W.M.S.

''Glad Tidings'' Day

A call to the membership to observe ''Glad Tidings Day.'' See suggested programme on page 304.

Prayer is the tide for which the vessels wait
Ere they can come to port. And if it be
The tide is low, how then canst thou expect
The treasure ship to see?

Formosan W. M. S. Annual Meeting

ON November 27th, 1934, the Formosan W.M.S. held its annual meeting in the Tamsui Church. In spite of very disagreeable rainy weather, it was well attended. The morning session began with the President, Mrs. Tan in the chair. After a short organ prelude by Miss MacVey and a few opening remarks by the President everyone joined in Psalm 24, ''Ye gates, lift up your heads on high''. This was followed by the Scripture reading by Mrs. G. Gushue-Taylor who read the 90th Psalm and prayer by Miss Go, one of the teachers in the Girls' School. The wife of the Tamsui pastor, Mrs. Chiong, welcomed the delegates to Tamsui and greetings were brought from Presbytery by one of the pastors, Mr. Tiu.

Mr. Chiong, pastor of the Tamsui Church preached a short sermon on the parable of the leaven. He likened the importance of the Women's Missionary Society to the Church, to that of the leaven in the bread. A detailed report of the affairs of the Society was read by the Secretary. Mrs. Wilkie then sang to the delight of all.

One of the older Bible women gave a report of her work during the year, telling of the homes she had visited, how she had been received and the interest evinced by the people in hearing the Gospel; several had already spoken for Christ and many others were interested in learning more about the Way of Life. Miss Burdick told about the Canadian W.M.S., the different fields in which work and workers are maintained by that Society and some ways in which the money is raised, all of which was heard with great interest.

After Miss Burdick had spoken there was a slight diversion. An old lady, a minister's widow, Go Thoan-to niu, 82 years of age, who became a Christian under Dr. George Leslie Mackay, was asked to come forward. She was very carefully dressed in her best black brocaded satin, her tiny feet which had been bound encased in black slippers of foreign style, her grey hair was combed very neatly back from her forehead and twisted in a tight coil at the back. Like all Chinese women she wore flowers in her hair and the wide black satin bandeau across the forehead which is a badge of old age. Short and stout and very much alive to everything she stood there to receive from Mrs. Koa, a life membership in the W.M.S. presented by a Society in Canada. She expressed thanks and bowed very low amid the applause of all the members. After the hymn, ''Here am I, send me'', the morning session was closed with prayer by the new life member.

Mid-day meal, not a spread of scalloped potatoes, baked beans, cake and pie, but a nourishing stew made of rice, shrimps, pork and vegetables all in one big pail! Each person dipped her portion into a bowl and ate it with chopsticks. When satisfied each woman placed her dish on the large basket which the coolies later carried back to the school to be washed. No setting of tables, clearing of dishes, etc., and yet hunger was appeased.

During the afternoon session the treasurer gave an interesting detailed report. The finances of the Society are not in as good condition as in some former years but an improvement is hoped for in 1935. Toa lo-niu, an elderly lady from the East Coast sang some hymns she had written herself and set to the weird airs of the tribespeople. The hymns were stories from the Bible such as ''The Parable of the Sower'', ''The Wedding at Cana'', etc. The members of the Donald MacKenzie Mission Band under the direction of Mrs. George Mackay, answered questions on the Gospel in Africa, reciting from the Psalms and from Acts.

The present officers were re-elected, and an invitation to meet at Zui-ho the coming year was accepted. A gift from the Formosan W.M.S. was presented to Go Thoan-to niu, and a special hymn was sung by a group of students from the Girls' School.

About four o'clock the meeting was closed and the women hurried away home as some had long distances to go.

Thirty Years of Service

SACRAMENT was dispensed Easter Sunday, by the Rev. Mr. Atkinson in the chapel of the ''Cecilia Jeffrey'' School, Kenora. Ontario. Previous to the service, thirty-seven pupils were baptized, adding their names to the communion roll of the Presbyterian Church.

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Friends and members of the Presbyterian Church, gathered at the ''Cecilia Jeffrey'' School on Wednesday evening, April 24th, to honor Rev. Mr. Atkinson on the eve of his departure for Vegreville, Alberta, where he has recently been transferred.

At a suitable intermission in the social part of the proceedings, Mr. Byers on behalf of the members of the congregation asked Mr. Atkinson to accept, a bill fold and money as a token of their regard and esteem.

Speaking briefly, on Mr. Atkinson's thirty years' work for the Presbyterian Church in the home mission field Mr. Byers emphasized the untiring efforts with which Mr. Atkinson had labored, and of the great and good work he had accomplished. In this particular unit of missionary work in Kenora, Mr. Atkinson had reached families where he had truly and sincerely ministered, carrying the devotion and the mission, building and strengthening connections with the Church, of which he was a kindly and indefatigable part.

Mr. Atkinson suitably replied, after which Miss Mary Begg, and Mrs. Churchill asked him to accept two appropriate gifts for Mrs. Atkinson and himself, from the senior girls of the school, expressing the love and admiration for the kindly tie that Mr. Atkinson had fostered and fraught between the pupils of the school and the Church, saying ''They desired thus to convey their good will and good wishes to their minister and his wife, with whom they were regretfully called upon to part.''

Mr. Atkinson further replied, voicing his appreciation of the friendship of the Indian children. —*Contributed.*

David Livingstone

WHAT David Livingstone did in and for South and South Central Africa can never fade from the rich annals of missionary endeavor. For thirty years he strove unceasingly to carry the Gospel to the native peoples; to lay bare the geographical secrets of the then, but now no longer, ''Dark Continent''; and to abolish the hideous slave trade of Africa.

Unflinchingly he obeyed the behest of his Master: ''Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.'' Above all things, he was ever ''The Missionary''—the bearer of glad tidings to those who sat in darkness. That being so, it was his business to ''go into all the world,'' and thus he became one of the world's supreme explorers. The Missionary-Explorer in Africa could not but come into close contact with what was then the ''open sore of the world''—the desolating and ghastly traffic in human flesh and blood, and so arose Livingstone, the Liberator.

It is, therefore, fitting that on the base of the memorial statue now being erected at the Victoria Falls, the simple inscription should appear—

1813 — LIVINGSTONE — 1873
MISSIONARY — EXPLORER — LIBERATOR

The Scottish community of South Africa, through its Federated Caledonian Societies, has for the past eight years been engaged in a strenuous effort to erect this statue as a tribute to the achievements, character, and personality of their great fellow-countryman. His body, ''brought by faithful hands over land and sea'' to England, rests amid an Empire's mighty dead in Westminster Abbey; but his soul goes marching on in the loved land of his adoption.

Although his work and influence can never be forgotten, yet the younger generation was beginning to forget just what manner of man this Livingstone was. To the men and women, to the boys and girls of a past generation, his characteristics were well known from reports, books, from pictures, from the framed etching hanging on the wall of so many homes in every Christian land. So, for remembrance, the Federated Caledonian Society of South Africa decided to—

''. . . . set up for a world to scan,
In lasting bronze by the fleeting stream,
The form and face of the living man.''

Today the heroic bronze figure standing on a massive granite monolith brought from 800 miles away, overlooks the world's most gigantic waterfall — Victoria Falls, discovered by Livingstone in 1855. The sculptor seems to have caught something of the explorer's feelings on this day of achievement, caught something of the meaning of the gaze looking away beyond the leading waters plunging, amid unceasing thunder and eternal foam, into the terrible abyss—

''Does his gaze pierce thro' the mists of years,
Past nights of travail and days of gloom,
To where, embalmed by a nation's tears,
The hero goes to his Minster tomb?

Sees he the dawn of a better day,
Flushing the east like a flag unfurl'd,
The fetter broken and thrown away,
And heal'd the 'open sore of the world'?''

The unveiling ceremony will take place in September, 1935, and will be performed by the Hon. H. U. Moffatt, nephew of Livingstone and grandson of Robert Moffatt. Public worship will be conducted by a veteran and pioneer minister — Rev. James Gray, LL.D., of Johannesburg. During the course of the ceremony the solo, ''Abide With Me,'' will be sung, and then over the sound of many waters will come shrilling the wild music of the pipes in that so plaintive Highland lament, ''Lochaber No More.''

The surroundings form a fitting background for a memorial monument, simple, severe, imposing. Than this there is no more romantic, no more beautiful spot in the wide world. The never-ceasing boom of the falling waters of the mile-wide river is in the ear, the dancing rainbows in the eye of the spectator. Here in future days men and women will come to drink in the beauty and grandeur of the scene, and gazing in admiration at the massive bronze figure these will assuredly ask: ''Who and what was this Livingstone?'' receiving an answer they will go away all the richer, and stronger, and better. —N. J. R. in ''The P. W. M. U. Harvest Field.''

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

TWO new study books are ready for September 1st of this year. Each Provincial Literature Secretary will have a supply, and (except in Ontario) order direct from your secretary, and order early, so the programmes may be studied and the work of the fall meetings prepared well in advance. The secret of a successful and snappy meeting is preparedness, and sincerity of interest.

Write at any time to the W.M.S. Publications office for programme helps or suggestions. Literature will be sent on approval, if the recipient will please return promptly what is not purchased.

FRIENDS AROUND THE WORLD is the new Mission Band study book. It is complete with programme outlines, suggestions for leaders and songs as well as games. Prepared for two years, the price is 35c.

TALES FROM TAIWAN, by O. Mary Hill, the Girls' Work Secretary, for our Society. This study book for all 'Teen Age Girls' Organizations is a carefully written and fascinating picture of Formosa, and is sure of an enthusiastic reception. Price per copy 35c.

FELLOWCITIZENS continues to be the study book for Auxiliaries for another year, and Presidents of Auxiliaries and their officers are asked to see that it is widely distributed and used. The price will now be only 25c. per copy and members are asked to secure and keep it for reference purposes. The year's programmes will be in Part II, and any who have not used the book before, are asked to begin in Part II.

The following is the list of Literature Secretaries of the various Provinces:—

Ontario—Miss Blanche Armstrong, Ancaster, Ont. (Ontario orders should be sent direct to the Publications Office, Room 700, 372 Bay St., Toronto 2).

Quebec—Mrs. A. W. Lamb, 1477 Fort Street, Montreal.

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Alberta—Mrs. Geo. W. Scott, 10449-87th Ave., Edmonton.

British Columbia—Mrs. Peter MacArthur, 1100 Thurlow Street, Vancouver.

A GIRL WHO LIVES OUTDOORS

A girl who lives outdoors with wind and trees,
Who knows the feel of tree-trunks, leaves, and sod,
Who wonders at the sky's white mysteries,
And in the forest's stirring harks to God—
A girl who lives outdoors with peaks and streams,
Who shapes her dreams
In the wide image of the out-of-doors,
Will never quite be beaten by the world,
Will never quite be saddened by sad things,
Or bent by trials; but she will keep her faith,
Her courage learned of winds and peaks and trees.
The bravery of the woods will give her strength;
The beauty of the world will lend her wings.

—Mary Carolyn Davies, in *Firelight.*

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Our Motto

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Our Aim

25,000 *Glad Tidings* subscriptions for 1936 in memory of Miss Fraser.

Our Task

To bring each month, to the subscribers, an intimate picture of the work which they support.

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PROGRAMME

''That all the world the love of Christ might know,
Her prayer; to sacrifice for that, her joy.
Those years of loving service challenge us
To lift her fallen torch and carry on.''

Hymn 390.—''O Zion haste, thy mission high fulfilling.''

Business.—Minutes, business and reports.

Scripture.—St. Luke 8: 1-15.

Prayer.—Of thanksgiving for the seed that has been sown by our magazines during the years.

Hymn 388.—''Sow the seed beside all waters.''

Address.—''Our Magazine Tree.''

(See *Glad Tidings*, May, 1934; March, 1935; also booklet ''Seventy Years of Progress,'' price 15c.)

Silent Prayer.—In loving memory of our late Editor, Miss Mamie C. G. Fraser.

Hymn 369.—''Shine Thou upon us Lord.'' (Tune Broughton, No. 506).

Offering.

Watch Tower.—Brief testimonies on, ''What the *Glad Tidings* means to me''; ''My favorite article''; ''My favorite poem''; ''Intimate reminiscences''; ''A brief review of the current issue.''

Hymn 540.—''Lead on O King Eternal.''

(Opportunity may be given here for the members to make standing pledges for renewals or new subscriptions.)

''And tasks thou hast, my daughter of today—
A world in making; races sore distraught . . .
Thou hast good news, and tidings glad to tell.
So . . . let us go from here and pray
God's help to do what He commands.''

The Doxology.

Closing Prayer.

Suggestions

This programme to be used for the October or November meeting.
Appoint a committee and make the arrangements well in advance.
Have a display of any copies of the past magazines which are available.

The Lord giveth the word.
The women that published the tidings
Are a great host.

Prayer

Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth,
As it is in heaven.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who didst send Thy Son Jesus Christ to tell us the glad tidings of Thy Kingdom, Thou art the King of kings and Lord of lords. May Thy Kingdom come everywhere: in the turning of men and women in all the world to Thee; through the work of the Church in this and all other lands; through the faithful service and silent influence of men and women who love Thee; in the healing of sickness; in the writing of good books; in the spread of peace.

Bless, we beseech Thee, the missionary work of Thy Church in all parts of the world, and, especially, that portion for which our Church and the Women's Missionary Society are responsible. Remember, we pray Thee, the newly appointed missionaries, and those on the field or on furlough. Uphold them by Thy grace. Wilt Thou greatly bless the one who has been called to the high office of President of this Society, and all who work with her during her term of office. Now as we bow in Thy presence, we thank Thee for the wonderful opportunities of service Thou hast given us. Help us to be watchful, lest we bear false witness to Thy Name.

Send forth Thy light, and Thy truth, let them lead us, until one joyful brotherhood dwells upon earth and all men praise Thee for Thy loving kindness. Let that great company of Christ's true followers transform the earth, and in the mighty change, let us have some little part. In the Name of Jesus Christ, Thy Son. Amen.

Let Us Go Deeper

The Fruit of the Spirit

WHETHER we would have it so or not, the fruit of the Spirit is *visible.* If happily it is large, beautiful and abundant, our attention centers upon the vine that produced it. The branch from which the fruit falls is of incidental interest—it has no power apart from the life-giving vine.

Christ is the Vine. The life-giving sap in that vine is Love. Is it not Love that gives the fruit of the spirit its true flavor? *Righteousness* would be a hard, tasteless fruit indeed, without Love. *Peace* would be an insipid fruit, without Love. *Joy* could not be yielded as a fruit at all, without Love.

Are we praying for spiritual fruit? For souls to be won from the darkness to the Light, from self to Christ? Let us first pray for *fruitfulness,* lest we be as dying or dead branches hanging on the living Vine, having no vital part in it.

In the vineyard of the Spirit, the branch has one option: it may, if it will, abide in the Vine and so be fruitful.

Let us go deeper into that fifteenth chapter of John. The secrets of life and death are hidden there, the secret of true happiness, the secret of fruitfulness.

"*If our faith were but more simple, we would take Him at His word.*" Then the power of God could and would flow through the Christ-Vine to us. Only then can we be fruitful branches from which all hungering souls may gather of the fruit He has given, richly flavored with Faith, Hope and Love.

"*And the greatest of these is Love.*"

—*Catherine Culnan.*

OUR LETTER BOX

The Challenge of the Mission Field

Kobe, Japan.

"THERE has been a considerable number of changes in the teaching staff of the Kindergartens within the last year, so that when Miss MacLean returns she will have to become acquainted with many new teachers. I hope soon to add to our staff two who have had some experience in kindergarten work and also are graduates of the Bible school in Pyengyang. This seems best, when we consider the purpose of our kindergartens, and the various kinds of work required of our teachers.

Kindergarten Children, Osaka

"I do not think that I ever told you about the boy whom I have in middle school in Osaka. I met him in Nagoya and felt so sorry that such a fine boy of talent and a keen desire for service should not be able to finish middle school. He had had only two years and could not continue for lack of money. I was wondering how I could help him, when I received the word last January of my normal increase and of the amount which was made up. This allowed me to put the boy in school, where he is making very good progress. I hope to see him through seminary after he completes middle school, as his desire for many years has been to be a pastor. I feel that it is the Lord's call to help him, and I am so grateful to the Father and to the ladies of the Board that this has been made possible." —*(Miss) Mary E. Anderson.*

Standing on Their Own Feet

Canton, China.

"WE had the privilege of entertaining Rev. Marcus Cheng in our home for a short time during his visit to South China. He is deeply interested in country work and we pray that God will use him to bring home the need of workers and money for this work to the better-off Christians in the larger city churches, especially in Canton and Hong Kong. These Christians are giving liberally to support their own city churches, and for new buildings, etc., but we pray that the time may soon come when they will assume more of the financial burden of the work in the needy country districts where so much work is having to be dropped because of lack of funds from Mission Boards. Just as God, in answer to prayer, has raised up leaders in the churches in China so well able to lead their people on to the deeper things of God, so will He in answer to prayer, put the burden of the unevangelized masses and of the struggling little groups of poor and often illiterate country Christians, upon the hearts of the more privileged and educated Chinese Christians.

"Surely we may expect to see in the Chinese Church, the same spirit that impelled missionaries in the home lands in former days to come to China, and the Christians at home to give sacrificially for the needy mission fields, and we may believe that more and more will this spirit be evidenced in our Chinese churches as they realize their responsibility not only for their own group or congregation but for the work as a whole. Only the Spirit of God can bring this about, but I believe He is working in this way, and will use these fine Spirit-filled leaders whom He is raising up in the Chinese Church today, to impress this thought of their responsibility to take up the burdens that Foreign Missions must lay down.

"Only yesterday one of the German missionaries from a country field came to see us and told us sadly of the large number of preaching stations they must close down for lack of money, for practically none seems to be coming from Germany now. The work is the Lord's, and He will not allow it to die out, but will, I believe, put the burden on the Chinese Church itself. We can help by our prayers."

—*(Mrs.) Ethel Reid Burkwall.*

Two Recent Conversions

Szepingkai, Manchuria.

"TWO remarkable conversions have taken place recently. At T'ai P'ing Ch'uan, an old woman 87 years of age has just recently been baptized. She is blind but able to get around. The reason she decided to accept Christ was because of the changed life her son had been living since becoming a Christian. Previously, he was a rascal. His four wives were obtained while out plundering and they say he made the money to buy his property by gambling. He was a drunkard, an opium smoker, a man with a vile tongue, an ungovernable temper and most unfilial. All this has been changed since his conversion.

At Maolin, a young man by the name of Sun became a follower of Christ but his Mother was opposed and if the evangelist went to their home, she would revile him. The son requested prayer on her behalf but after several months she seemed just as hardened as ever. Just lately, Mrs. Sun took seriously ill and after a number of doctors had given her up the relatives put her funeral garments on her and the coffin was brought inside the house in preparation for the burial. The son said to her 'You are dying and will not be saved. Will you still not believe in Jesus?' Those who were present report that the Holy Spirit moved her at that time and she uttered a feeble prayer, 'Lord save my soul'. Immediately she directed that the idols be taken down and began to recover. She has completely recovered now and the whole family have become Christians.

'And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it'.''

—*Allan Reoch.*

Where Days are Rarely Dull

Happy Mount Leprosy Colony, Formosa.

"MOST of my time is spent here at the colony, and my husband comes over Thursday or Friday each week. He sees all the patients and prescribes medicines and hypodermics for them. He usually goes back Saturdays about 4.30 p.m., occasionally if hospital is not too busy, staying a week-end. I stay for about 10 days and then go back to the city for a couple of days to get a fresh supply of tinned goods and clean clothing, so I really have not time to feel lonely. We have a very nice nurse here, who lives in the same building. I have the 3 rooms upstairs, and below are the storeroom, nurses' bed-sitting room and the office. In the cold weather there will be a stove in the office to burn wood. The chimney pipe will come up through my sitting room, so we shall have 2 warm rooms. Our nurse is a graduate of the Girls' School, and also, the first graduate of the Mackay Memorial Hospital. Everyone likes her, such a welcome she got, after she returned from a few days' holiday last week, waves and shouts from both the girls and men folk. She is such a kind girl, taking a real interest in their spiritual as well as physical condition.

Last week we got straw and the patients all made mattresses for the winter. I had unbleached calico covers all ready, and they really got a lot of fun out of the work. Our last new inmate, a woman of 57 years, was the most clever and really taught all the others how to manipulate the straw. Their beds will be so much warmer as they only had boards and a thin rush mat. I can't bear to think of them being cold. Our cottages have so many windows and are so airy to their little rooms, with often no windows at all. We have been distributing a number of old garments today and mending them, also bought new cloth for the two youngest girls and they are busy making this into winter dresses. Another girl is coming on Friday, then our family will be 15. Their gardens, planted with seeds and vegetables, are coming up. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie sent us a lovely gift of 53 cuttings of geraniums in nice brown pots. Some are in flower, and every patient has one as his or her special care.''

—*(Mrs. G.) Margery Gushue-Taylor.*

YOUNG WOMEN

THE PURPOSE OF A MISSIONARY PROGRAMME

WHAT purposes should a missionary programme serve? In these days, when the needs of missionary work are felt as perhaps never before and when so many doors are standing wide for consecrated service, an answer to this question is imperative. The monthly programme is most important, in many cases it is the only means of arousing interest and enthusiasm. At best, ten meetings a year must suffice for carrying out the plans of the Society . How necessary it is that these few programmes should lead to some definite result.

There are three things that a well planned programme should furnish — information, interest and inspiration. Intimate accounts of the tasks of the various fields, sketches of the lives of missionaries, narratives of the wonderful changes wrought in the lives and habits of people by the gospel story — all these will be of untold value in reaching the indifferent ones.

Information is good, but interesting information is better. Facts may be dull, but when they are vitally interpreted by a compelling personality, what a distinct impression they can make on our minds. Hence it should be the duty of programme builders to select those topics and phases which will appeal most strongly to the members of the Society they serve.

But beyond and above information and interest comes the final purpose — inspiration. The object of a Missionary Society is not study, but work. In this respect we differ from clubs and organizations of a secular and purely intellectual nature. We must kindle a zeal for service and sacrifice in our meetings, or else, admittedly or not, they are failures.

Nor shall we be satisfied with half-hearted obedience when once we realize the authority of our commission, the depth of our obligation, and the vastness of our resources. To us, there comes as never before the call to consecrated, devoted service. Women of world vision are our leaders. The world itself is changing more rapidly than we realize. Our interest in missions must not be a mere sideline but each one of us must live up to our responsibility for the spread of the gospel.—Adapted.

—Fergie D. Holman.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

Dear Leaders and Girls:

HOLIDAYS are over and you are ready to begin your Fall work. Perhaps some of you were fortunate enough to attend camp; then I know you have brought back many new ideas for your groups. May I give you a word of advice? Tell your leader about those thoughts for worship periods, those ideas from other groups, the clever things you learned to make in the handcraft group, the games—and so many things that are new and interesting. She and the executive can plan to use them in your group. Remember, *do it now!* Do it while you are still thrilled and enthusiastic about it and you will impart that enthusiasm to the others.

Probably the girls in your group were scattered during the summer. Perhaps some were not away at all, but they would be interested in hearing about what the others saw and did. At one of your first meetings have the girls bring picture post-cards, snap-shots and souvenirs. It's fun to spend a ''chatty'' informal evening talking over holidays, before your regular meetings begin and you settle down to school work again.

Speaking of regular meetings reminds me of an interesting announcement: Our new study book ''Tales from Taiwan'', by our own Secretary, is off the press. I know you will spend many happy evenings in Formosa.

We were sorry that owing to very serious illness Miss Hill was unable to act as director of the leadership camp at Glenmohr. We extend to her our sympathy in being laid aside from active work at the camp to which she had been looking forward with much interest. We are pleased to report that Miss Hill is now convalescent and expects to be with us in the near future. For the leadership camp we were fortunate in being able to secure the services of Mrs. H. M. Coulter and our thanks are due her for so ably fulfilling an arduous task on such short notice.

Now you are ready for your Fall work, refreshed in mind and spirit—ready to give of your best. The motto of the Women's Missionary Society is ''The World For Christ'', and the 'teen-age girls have a share. Each has a part no matter how unimportant it may seem.

Is your place a small place?
Tend it with care,
He set you there.

Is your place a large place?
Guard it with care,
He set you there.

Whate'er your place, it is
Not yours, but His
Who set you there.—John Oxenham.

CONTEST FOR 1935-36

Last year we had a poster contest which was interesting and successful. This year there is to be something altogether different. We are going to give the leaders and girls an opportunity to show their skill, originality and neatness, in the making of ten articles which can be used in our Supply Department. A leaflet with the requirements of the Supply Department may be obtained from the Supply Secretary of your local Auxiliary, who, I am sure, will be pleased to give you all the help and information required. I do hope all our leaders and girls will take up this contest whole-heartedly and make it an even greater success than it was last year. The rules for the contest will appear in the October issue of *Glad Tidings.*

—*Jean Kelman*

MISSION BANDS

Leaders' Corner

THE STORY HOUR AT MISSION BAND (Part Three)

SHOULD stories always be told, or is it ever permissible to read them? It is not only permissible, but sometimes advisable to read them. It depends on the story and sometimes on the children, and also on the teller. Generally boys and girls enjoy stories told to them better than those read, but this is not always the case. They like to feel they are getting a story out of a book, and if our aim in telling the story should be to interest the children in reading good books, to train them to love and read their Bibles, or to read missionary publications, it is often better to let them see where the story is from. But to read a story is in no way easier than to tell it. The inexperienced is safer to tell her stories. For anyone to get up and ramble over a story with her eyes on the book all the time is useless. But that is not what I mean by reading it. The story must be known just as well as for telling it, for all the expressions of voice and face and all the gestures must be just as natural as though it were being told, and this is more difficult in reading than in telling a story. Then, in reading the children have the advantage perhaps of more beautiful language than the teller can use. Of course the wording must be changed in places to make it more within the children's understanding. This is done before we go before our audience. For a test of your reading ask a friend to listen to you from a position in which she cannot see you. Read something you have composed yourself, and ask her whether you have read it or told it. This may be done with a poem which you have memorized. Say it once and read it once. If you can read naturally they will not be able to tell when you recited it or read it.

A few **don'ts** may help us in our story telling methods:

1. **Don't** use the developing method, *i.e.*, developing the story by questions and answers.
2. **Don't** ask questions afterwards.
3. **Don't** moralize at the end of the story. That will only kill the effect of your story. If you feel that the story must be applied, a little talk before the story is much better.
4. **Don't** break your story for disciplinary reasons. Try to keep order and interest by your voice. Often just to wait for a few seconds will get the quietness you want.
5. **Don't** use language above the children.
6. **Don't** talk about abstract ideas.

Many times we may feel discouraged without results, but we must know that it is our duty and privilege to sow the seed. God in His own way and in his own time will bring forth the fruit. Very often our results seem meagre, we may be taking into account only one aim, forgetting that others, perhaps of even more importance have been realized. Perhaps we have told the story of Mildred Soutar. At the next meeting, on questioning, we find the children unable to give us back the information we thought we so skilfully dealt out to them. They may be unable to tell us even the name of the nurse who was the Mission Band's own missionary, or the name of her hospital, or of the city where it was. We are inclined to think the children have got nothing from the story. But although that information in detail may have been forgotten, yet the seed of self-sacrifice has been sown. Our lesson was well worth while if one child feels in her heart she would like to serve Him by helping His little ones in India, that there is work to be done that children can help to do. So let us do our best in the sowing and God Himself will tend to the growing of the seed of which He has appointed us the planters.—*Miss Ethel McCutcheon, Saskatoon, Sask.*

Still there are lands where none have seen Thy face,
Children whose hearts have never shared Thy joy,
Yet Thou wouldst pour on these Thy radiant grace;
Give Thy glad strength to every girl and boy.—Basil Mathews.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. J. M. MOODIE, 2719, 14TH ST. W., CALGARY, PRESS SECRETARY

CALGARY P.S.—The Mission Band of Knox Church, Calgary, under the leadership of Miss C. Muldoon, put on a very successful concert in June. Mrs. Porterfield, President of the Auxiliary, presided over an interesting programme of solos, choruses, and a cleverly portrayed pageant. Slides on the Bhil field, India, and Korea, Japan, were then shown, Miss Muldoon reading the lecturette.

The June meeting of Grace Church Auxiliary, Calgary, was exceptionally well attended. Group III had charge of the programme. Mrs. Flos Jewel Williams, the guest speaker, gave an address on ''Peace''. Mrs. MacArthur, Supply Secretary, had her supply contributions on display.

Edmonton P.S.—Mrs. H. Sykes, President of the Presbyterial, at a recent meeting held in the social room of First Church, Edmonton, expressed the regret of the members of the Executive at the approaching removal to other fields of labor of Mrs. R. H. Lyttle of Strathcona, and Mrs. C. E. Fisher of Westmount Churches. Each had devoted her time and used her talents in the work among the girls of those congregations with outstanding success. The tea held in First Church, Edmonton, in aid of furnishings for Miss M. Todd at Brownvale was very successful, the articles purchased and donated will add materially to her comfort. Mission Bands finished the season with picnics and all report happy gatherings.

Miss Grigor, deaconess at Wanham, has organized an Associate Society at Prestville. These women are so grateful for what our W.M.S. has done for them in sending libraries and supplies, that they have decided to give the collections of alternative meetings to our W.M.S., and to use the other towards a fund for building a Church.

Red Deer P.S.—At the close of the regular June meeting of Red Deer Auxiliary, a presentation was made by Mrs. A. L. Forester, on behalf of the members, to Mrs. V. A. Menzies who is leaving Red Deer to make her home in Manitoba. Deep regret was expressed at losing Mrs. Menzies from our Society as she had been a very active member and a worker in the Mission Band. At the Mission Band meeting on June 13th, another gift was presented to Mrs. Menzies by the Band. Marjorie Forrester thanked Mrs. Menzies for her work among the boys and girls and William Jack made the presentation.

At a recent meeting of the Auxiliary, a Life Membership certificate was presented to Mrs. J. Steedman, who has been an active worker in the Society for the past 25 years. The Mission Band entertained the Auxiliary with a very enjoyable programme of songs, recitations and a short sketch. Refreshments were served to the children.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. W. J. SMITH, BOX 138, ARMSTRONG, PRESS SECRETARY

WESTMINSTER P.S.—The members of West Point Grey Auxiliary gathered at the home of Mrs. G. Sinclair Smith and had the pleasure of hearing an address from Miss Grigor of Wanham, Alta. They also enjoyed having Mrs. G. W. Ledingham give a few of her impressions of her visit to that territory and of the work which Miss Grigor so nobly carries on, often under most adverse circumstances.

At a recent meeting held at the home of the President, Mrs. D. C. Stuart, the Auxiliary of First Presbyterian Church, Prince Rupert, had as their guests, the Young Women's Group. Twenty members were present and listened to an interesting programme, during which a paper on ''The Needs of China Today'' was given. After this a pleasant social hour was spent.

Victoria P.S.—Some twenty-five members of the C.G.I.T. Group of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Victoria, recently paid a surprise visit to the home of their minister, Rev. James Hyde. Mrs. Hyde had been leader of this Group and the girls showed their appreciation by presenting her with a small gift, accompanied by an old-fashioned nosegay. Later in the evening they were joined by the Boys' Group, of which Mr. Hyde is leader. A very jolly social evening was enjoyed.

MANITOBA

MRS. GEORGE REYNOLDS, 218 YOUNG STREET, WINNIPEG, PRESS SECRETARY

SUPERIOR P.S.—A report of proceedings of the annual meeting of the Manitoba Provincial, held at Winnipeg, was given by Mrs. P. Cundy, of First Presbyterian Church, West Fort William, at the May meeting of First Church Auxiliary, Port Arthur. The meeting was conducted by the Vice-President, Mrs. E. S. Sherlock. Nine hospital calls and eighteen home visits during the month were reported. Mrs. D. L. Cranston took the chair for the devotional period, which opened with the reading of the Scripture lesson by Mrs. E. R. Stuckey and prayer by Mrs. A. Peachey. Roll call, the theme of which was ''Trust'', was conducted by Mrs. A. Grant.

A report of the Enlarged Council Executive meeting held in Toronto, was presented by Mrs. Stanley Flook, Provincial President, at a meeting of Superior Presbyterial, in First Presbyterian Church, Port Arthur. Mrs. Flook also told of a visit to the Rolling River Indian

Mission in West Manitoba. Mrs. James McLean and Mrs. F. Blain, of the camp committee, reported that no camp will be maintained this summer. Mrs. Percival Cundy presided.

Winnipeg P.S.—The Auxiliary of Old Kildonan Presbyterian Church, Winnipeg, held a very successful ''Home Helpers'' meeting in Nisbet Hall. The President, Mrs. R. B. Anderson, presided over a full attendance of members and a very good representation of the Home Helpers. The guest speaker, Rev. Edward Lee, gave an inspiring and informative address on ''Four Mothers in history and their four great sons.''

The Winnipeg Presbyterial held a most successful meeting at Roland on June 27th. The members of Morden Auxiliary and the members of the Presbyterial were welcomed at the Church by the Roland Auxiliary. The meeting opened with devotions by the Roland Auxiliary, Mr. Ritchie, of Morden, leading in prayer. Following an address of welcome by Mrs. J. Sayer, the Presbyterial President, Mrs. G. Leckie, took charge and gave an address on ''Work''. Mrs. J. S. Flook, Provincial President, gave a talk on ''Home Missions'' as reported at the 1935 Enlarged Council Executive meeting. The various Secretaries presented their reports. Three interesting addresses followed—one, by Miss Flora Henderson on ''Pioneer missionaries of Manitoba''; a talk on supply work by Mrs. A. T. Kernaghan; and ''Camp Organization 1935,'' by Miss Hazel Macdonald. Miss Lyle Hyde presented the Treasurer's report, and Mrs. A. Evans gave an account of the work in the foreign field. Mrs. Peter Kee gave the closing words, Mr. Beaverstock, of Roland, closing the meeting with prayer.

Tribute to the late Mrs. Herbert E. Ross

Our hearts are sad by the tragic death on Saturday, June 29th, of our Recording Secretary, Mrs. Herbert E. Ross, who was struck down by a street car and instantly killed.

Mrs. Ross was respected and dearly loved by all who knew her. She held the office of Recording Secretary on the Provincial Executive for many years and was President of First Church Auxiliary, Winnipeg, for a number of years. As a hospital visitor her charming and gentle manner endeared her to all whom she visited.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to her son and his family in their sad hour of bereavement.

''Out of the pain of night watching removed
Into the sleep God gives His beloved:
Into the dawn of a glad resurrection,
Into the house of unbroken affection,
Into the joy of her Lord—there confessing
Death in disguise is His angel in blessing.''—*Selected.*

ONTARIO

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BEGINNING our fall activities after a period of rest and relaxation, will Auxiliaries concentrate on getting new Home Helpers? This seems to be the only sure way of increasing our Senior membership and givings.

Brockville P.S.—The Golden Jubilee was held in the old historic Church in Prescott. Honor was paid the pioneer women who organized the work. The ''Golden Memories'' ably compiled and given by Mrs. E. C. Pelton, Prescott, recalled the undaunted courage and faith of these mothers of the Society. Twenty-three Auxiliaries reported in the Inter-Society Historical Review. A short résumé of each was given and their jubilee offering in little gold bags, placed on the table. These were dedicated by Dr. Margaret O'Hara. Inspirational addresses were given by Mrs. C. H. Thorburn, O.B.E., Ottawa; Mrs. Hobkirk, Lisbon, N.Y.; and Miss Jean McLean, Kobe, Japan. Dr. Beatty, missionary of many years' service, was presented with flowers. Mrs. Jas. Riddell, retiring President, was honored with an address of appreciation, an Honorary Membership and flowers. In her reply she exhorted the members to greater courage and loyalty to the work of the W.M.S.

An impressive service in memory of dear departed members was conducted by Mrs. Jas. Hodge and Mrs. Thos. Coulthart. Greetings were received from sister Societies, Rev. J. Taylor, minister of the Church, conveying those of the Presbytery and kirk session. Mrs. Cochrane presided over the election and installation of officers. Mrs. W. D. Turner, Winchester, is the new President. There were musical selections and the Mission Band gave several delightful sketches. Decorations were in blue and gold, many twinkling lights in these shades, and an abundance of flowers. A large birthday cake with fifty golden candles graced the supper table, and was cut by Mrs. P. K. Halpin, President of Prescott Auxiliary, which was christened by Mrs. Thorburn the ''Eliza Dousley'' Auxiliary, during the unveiling of a portrait of the late Mrs. John Dousley.

Our Secretary writes that the splendor of this celebration was only surpassed by the friendly atmosphere of the gathering. Does this not augur well for the next fifty years of Brockville Presbyterial?

The Morrisburg Auxiliary recently presented to Dr. and Miss Goodfellow an ''In Memoriam'' certificate in loving memory of the late Mrs. Goodfellow.

A model delegate.—We hear from Huron P.S. of one who gave a concise and instructive account of the 21st annual Provincial meeting. She gave interesting information concerning every department and related how different Presbyterials were accomplishing the work. She gave the information everyone wanted.

Chatham P.S. annual meeting was held in Mount Zion Church, Ridgetown. Mrs. A. R. McMurrich, Toronto, gave an interesting talk on the preparation, transportation and equipment of missionaries going to the foreign field. Rev. M. Fesenko, Toronto, told of the work being done among the Ukrainians.

The Auxiliary of Duff Church, London P.S., celebrated their forty-fifth anniversary, Mrs. H. C. McKellar, Hamilton, giving the address. Ten neighboring Auxiliaries were guests. Mrs. J. A. MacLean presided over the candle lighting on the birthday cake, which was topped with a burning bush. The first nine candles were lit by a charter member, Miss K. Patton, in memory of the founders of the Society; the second by Mrs. McKenzie, also a charter member, in honor of our missionaries at home and abroad; the third for our present membership; the fourth by Mrs. Victor Jackson, London, daughter of the first President of Duff Auxiliary, in memory of pioneer women of Duff congregation; the fifth by Ethelwyn McWilliams, in honor of the first Mission Band. The bush was lit by the first President of Burning Bush Y.W. Auxiliary, Miss Elsie Patton. One minute's silence was observed in memory of those passed to their long rest. Mrs. John McPherson sang, by request, the same piece she sang at the organization forty-five years ago. Mrs. Duncan Stewart was presented with a Life Membership.

The annual meeting of North Bay P.S. took place in Knox Church, Sudbury. All Auxiliaries were represented. Reports showed increases in membership, givings and *Glad Tidings* subscriptions. Miss Jean McLean addressed the meeting. Mrs. J. M. Campbell, Sudbury, is the new President.

Bruce and Owen Sound P.S. annual meeting was held in Tiverton. Reports were good, especially from Y.W.A., C.G.I.T., and Mission Bands. Paisley Mission Band won the banner. The speakers were Mrs. Angus MacKay, Jhansi, India, and Miss Lamont, who also conducted the election and installation of officers. Mrs. L. J. McKenzie, Tiverton, is President.

The semi-annual meeting of Peterborough P.S. was held in Havelock with capacity audiences. Miss Margaret Ramsay, Formosa, was the speaker.

The re-organized Mission Band of Hastings, with twenty-four members, are enthusiastically working for their bale. A tea at Norwood for the Home Helpers, who conducted the programme, adds a tidy sum to the treasury. Miss Esplen, Peterborough, gave an interesting talk on the ''Passion Play'' to the Senior Auxiliary, Norwood.

Sectional meetings in London P.S. were addressed by Miss Marion Williamson. Mrs. Jonathan Goforth addressed a mass meeting of women in New St. James' Church, London. Gilmour Y.W.A. of Elmwood Church invited all Young Women's Auxiliaries of London to a meeting addressed by Mrs. W. K. Harris, late of South China. At a Mission Band rally Mrs. J. R. Hill, Ottawa, delighted old and young with her captivating stories.

Sectional meetings were held in five centres in Sarnia P.S. Mrs. D. Ritchie, Point Edward, and Miss Young, Sarnia, gave interesting messages.

The Y.W. Auxiliary of St. Andrew's, Sarnia, presented an In Memoriam certificate to Mrs. Robert Logan and daughter Marjorie, in memory of Miss Teresa Logan, a valued member of the Auxiliary.

A sectional meeting in Knox Church, Mitchell, Stratford P.S., heard an inspirational address by Mrs. E. A. Wright, wife of the Peace River missionary. During the financial hour a showing of hands revealed fifty per cent. of those present to be tithers.

A successful Presbyterial Young Women's rally, led by Mrs. A. W. Hare, St. Mary's, was held in St. Andrew's Church, Stratford. Increased interest and membership marked the highlights of the roll call response. Mrs. J. Erskine, Monkton, thrilled her hearers with a talk on ''Mountains''—mountains of ignorance, isolation, intolerance, intemperance, indifference and inspiration.

QUEBEC

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QUEBEC P.S. annual meeting was held in St. Andrew's Church, Asbestos, on Tuesday, June 25th, with a record attendance of delegates. Mrs. W. R. Price, President, was in the chair.

The morning devotions were conducted by Mrs. Johnston and Mrs. MacKay of Quebec. Mrs. Brown, President of Asbestos Auxiliary, very cordially welcomed the visitors. The reports were very encouraging, showing increase in almost every department and the allocation met.

The afternoon devotions were in charge of the Scotstown Auxiliary. Mrs. Lamb brought greetings from the Provincial, also a report of the Enlarged Council Executive meeting held in Toronto. The guest speaker, Miss P. B. Lamont, Field Secretary, brought a wonderful message of encouragement and counsel. Miss M. MacKinnon, of Montreal, gave a short missionary talk, and Mrs. Donald Flint, Inverness, summed up the day's inspiration by reminding us that our work began at home with love to and understanding of our fellow-men, and then spread out to the whole world.

Montreal P.S.—An unusually interesting meeting was held in Knox Crescent lecture hall, Montreal, on June 18th, when Miss Lamont spoke of her plans for work in the Province during June and July.

Mrs. Lamb gave a summary of the Enlarged Council Executive Meeting in Toronto, a feature of the June meeting which is always looked forward to by the Society.

An event of special interest was the presentation to Miss Hattie Jue, on the eve of her departure for her native country, of a book of Daily Devotional Readings, from the Provincial Board, and a fountain pen and pencil set, from the Montreal Presbyterial. Miss Jue, who has been Miss Dickson's assistant in the Chinese kindergarten, responded very gracefully.

Treasurer's Statement

June 30th, 1935

RECEIPTS

A Friend, "Camp at Red Deer, Alta."	$ 10.00
Refund from Government for freight	131.39
Refund from Prince Albert Residence	200.00
Refund from Eastern Division for rent of Bungalow in Japan	30.00
Interest	133.27
PROVINCIAL GIVINGS:	
British Columbia	440.00
Manitoba	450.00
Ontario	9,700.00
Quebec	1,000.00
	$12,094.66

DISBURSEMENTS

Hospitals:	
South Porcupine	$ 250.00
Canora	430.16
Vegreville	240.00
Chinese in Canada	925.00
"Cecilia Jeffrey" Indian School	608.32
Birtle Indian School	599.50
Mistawasis Indian School	50.00
Presbyterian Residences:	
Huntingdon	$ 75.00
Prince Albert	79.16
New Liskeard	194.16
Saskatoon	127.77
Vegreville	295.83
Welcome and Welfare	1,256.12
Publications	628.99
Organization	559.60
Library	29.17
Lantern Slides	5.00
Supplies	88.00
Deputation	278.12
Education of Chinese Girls	15.00
Camp at Red Deer, Alberta	10.00
Pensions	116.66
Enlarged Council Executive Meeting	8.15
Insurance	120.00
New Missionaries	58.18
India:	
Bhil Field	4,173.22
Jhansi Field	3,059.50
South China	787.50
Formosa	3,337.48
Japan	87.50
Exchange	1,101.22
Administration	623.91
	$20,218.22

RESERVE FUNDS

RECEIPTS

Sale of McCrea property Vegreville, Sustaining Fund	$ 56.85	
Refund from Saskatchewan Provincial on Expenses of the Special Campaign, Sustaining Fund	5.60	
Interest, Sustaining Fund	22.50	
Interest, Legacy Fund	6.00	
Interest, Pension Fund	390.00	
		$ 480.95

DISBURSEMENTS

X-ray for Vegreville Hospital, Legacy Fund	$1,689.07

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General Summary of the W.M.S.

December 31, 1934

Provincial Societies	6
Presbyterials	41
Auxiliaries	728
Young Women's Auxiliaries	230
Girls' Organizations	315
Mission Bands	561
Associate Societies	68
Total Number of Branches	1,902
Life Members	491
Junior Members and Seals	390
Honorary Members	20
In Memoriam Subscriptions	40
Subscriptions to *Glad Tidings*	18,465
Value of Literature sold	$4,201.90
Membership in Auxiliaries	16,961
Membership in Y. W. Auxiliaries	4,808
Membership in Girls' Organizations	4,803
Membership in Mission Bands	12,579
Home Helper Members	7,489
Total Membership	46,640
Total Contribution from Provincial Societies, per Treasurer's Statement	$141,246.69
Average Contribution per member	$3.03

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The Glad Tidings

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Let Us Be Thankful

> *"Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving; sing praise upon the harp unto our God: Who covereth the heaven with clouds, Who prepareth rain for the earth, Who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains. He giveth to the beast his food, and to the young ravens which cry . . . He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.*
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> *Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations."*—Psalms 147 and 100.

SONGS of thanksgiving have been echoed down along the centuries, with each succeeding era the notes becoming more full and harmonious, until at the present time no music so stirs the hearts of God's people as the Psalms of gratitude and praise.

Whatever may have been the thanksgiving of the earlier ages, that of today should be especially joyful. The joy of thanksgiving comes only to those who acknowledge the real source of their blessings, and nothing so incites God's people to the giving of thank-offerings as reflection upon God's daily mercies and blessings.

To all Christians of faith and vision, Thanksgiving Day should be more than a day of thanksgiving for national prosperity and temporal blessings. Let us not think of ourselves as a favored nation, except in so far as we are blessed to serve. Let us take the whole world into our hearts, and then render to God the thanks due unto His Name.

"I will run the way of Thy commandments when Thou shalt enlarge my heart." We thank Thee, Lord, that Thou art enlarging our hearts. Again we thank Thee that Thou wilt enable us to *run* when the way is *Thy* command.

Editorial

Miss Helen Mackintosh, M.A.

IN this issue we introduce Miss Helen Mackintosh, the new editor. She joins our staff in time to bring out the November *Glad Tidings.*

Miss Mackintosh has an M.A. degree from Queen's University, has done two years post-graduate work in French at the Sorbonne, Paris, and for some years taught in the Humberside Collegiate, in Toronto, Ontario. Recently for health reasons she has been in England on leave of absence. Miss Mackintosh belongs to a well known Presbyterian family in Madoc, Ontario. Her mother was for some years *Glad Tidings* Secretary for Kingston Presbyterial. We wish Miss Mackintosh every success in her new undertaking. —E.E.C.

Diamond Jubilee Thank-offering

THE Diamond Jubilee year of the Presbyterian Church in Canada gives us cause for much thanksgiving—for the undaunted courage, high faith, firm persistence and clear vision of our forefathers; thanksgiving for their loyalty to Christ which overcame all obstacles of man and nature and led them forth on unblazed trails, to set up His standard and establish His Kingdom.

As a thank-offering and an expression of gratitude to God, ''for the way by which He has led us as a Church in this new land and for support and guidance during the last decade,'' the Budget and Stewardship committee of the Church has requested, ''that the Diamond Jubilee offering be a special objective for 1935, all being urged by sacrificial giving to seek to free the Church from the encumbrance of its accumulated deficit.''

The amount needed is $206,000. The progress of our Church and the maintenance of all our missionary work is at stake. The time for action is very short—less than half the year remains.

We have recently lost a great leader of our Church and one to whom during the past ten years the support of our missionary enterprise at home and abroad was the object of special care and effort—Dr. A. S. Grant, Secretary of the General Board of Missions. This Thank-offering might well be made a tribute to him, for it was near to his heart, and for it he had planned and worked.

We commend this Diamond Jubilee Thank-offering to the members of the Women's Missionary Society, remembering that we are members of the Church first.

A Valued Secretary Resigns

THE Council Executive reports with deepest regret the resignation of Miss C. G. Kerr, Library Secretary. In 1929, Miss Kerr was appointed to this office, a position she was ably fitted to fill through the knowledge and experience gained while in charge of this department on the Ontario Provincial. During her term of office, Miss Kerr has seen the scope of the Library Department greatly enlarged, and through her quiet and efficient service, the lives of many lonely people have been uplifted, and cheered.

Changes in Staff

MISS M. HUGILL, deaconess, has been transferred from Ottawa, to Toronto, Ontario. She is associated with Miss Mary Murray in hospital visiting until the end of the year.

Miss Shirley V. Scott, former Young Women's Travelling Secretary, is now doing deaconess work in New Westminster, B.C.

Miss Winona Blackwell, of Brandon, Man., and Mr. Angus K. MacLeod, of Kincardine, Ontario, are newly-appointed teachers to the staff of the Birtle Residential School, Manitoba.

Miss Mary E. MacVey, a member of our Women's Missionary Society staff in North Formosa has resigned and returned to her home in Fredericton, New Brunswick. While regretting her withdrawal, we extend to her our sincere good wishes for her future welfare.

Annual Report for 1934

THE 1934 W.M.S. Annual Report, with its 233 pages of facts and figures, is off the press. It is smaller by 15 pages than the 1933 report. This is partly due to the fact that this year, the Estimates have been left out. These were published in the January *Glad Tidings*, and we would suggest that members refer to that issue for this information.

The Annual Report is issued for the information of the members of the W.M.S. and the officers should see that it is circulated among the members, and that at least one meeting is devoted to its study. This issue contains a splendid article suggesting ways to make use of the Annual Report. Try them.

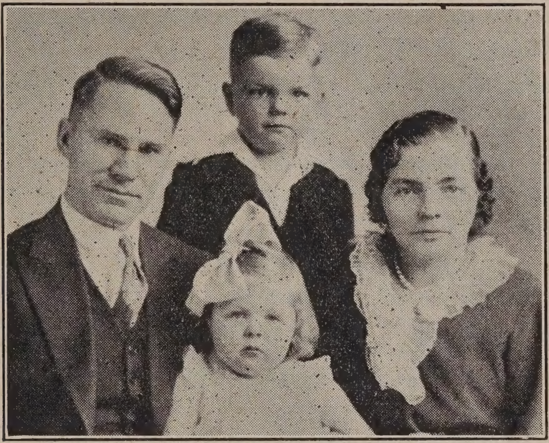
The allocation is as follows:

Two to every Young Women's Auxiliary.
Two to every Auxiliary.
One to every Associate Society.
One for the use of the different Girls' Organizations in a Church.
One for each Mission Band.

A Great Anniversary

IT is generally acknowledged that no other book has had so profound and world-wide an influence on individuals and on nations, as has been exerted by the Bible. In the early days of the Jewish nations, the rare old hand-copied Hebrew scrolls were almost worshipped; later the Septuagint translation was more widely distributed; then came the addition of New Testament manuscripts and their acceptance by Christians in Europe, North Africa and Western Asia. The Reformation and the invention of printing from type led to the translation and publication of the whole Bible for popular use, until now it is translated into nearly 1,000 languages and dialects and every year more copies of this book are sold and distributed than of multitudes of ''best sellers'' combined. Probably in the past 100 years not less than four hundred and seventy-five million copies of Bibles and New Testaments have been sold in many countries and tongues. This is in spite of the fact that a large part of the Christian world have not been encouraged to possess and read the sacred Scriptures.

On October 4, 1935, will be celebrated the four hundredth anniversary of printing the first complete Bible in English—Myles Coverdale's translation of 1535. This has had a profound effect, especially on English-speaking people, on their language and literature, their art, their beliefs, their ideals and customs, their laws and their governments. The Bible and its teachings transformed England, Scotland and Wales; the influence of the English translations sent the Pilgrim fathers to North America, and has reached out to Australia, New Zealand and other lands colonized by the British. It has had a marvellous effect not only in the formation of strong character and high ideals but has helped to bind English-speaking people together by ties of brotherhood —in spite of differences in theology and church polity and places of residence.—*The Missionary.*



Rev. James and Mrs. Dickson, with their children
Ronald and Marilyn

Outward Bound

And now to that long exile we're returning
I scarce can find the words to tell you why—
Held by the memory of a child's mute pleading,
Drawn by the desolation in a leper's eye.

Constrained by inner knowledge that God sends us,
Where humble folk still light their flames of faith
At wistful wayside shrines, where coldly staring
Their stony gods implacably await.

—By an outgoing missionary of our Church.

New Outgoing Missionaries Under the W.M.S.

To Formosa—Miss Mildred Weir, R.N., Agincourt, Ontario, missionary nurse, to sail *Empress of Canada,* November 2nd; Miss Ruth Heighton, B.A., Vancouver, B.C., missionary teacher, sailed *Empress of Canada,* September 7th.

To British Guiana—Miss Olwen Davies, B.A., Willowdale, Ontario, teacher evangelist, sailed *Lady Drake,* September 7th.

W.M.S. Missionaries Returning After Furlough

To India—Bhil Field, Miss Marion Williamson, missionary teacher, sailed *Empress of Canada,* September 7th; Gwalior Mission, Miss Lily A. Simpson, R.N., missionary nurse, sailed *Empress of Canada,* September 7th.

To Formosa—Miss Dorothy C. Douglas, missionary teacher, to sail *Empress of Canada,* November 2nd; Miss Margaret Ramsay, evangelist, to sail *Empress of Canada,* November 2nd.

To Japan — Miss Jean C. MacLean, missionary teacher, sailed *Empress of Canada,* September 7th.

New Outgoing Missionaries under the Church

To Manchuria—Rev. E. H. and Mrs. Johnson, sailed *Empress of Asia,* August 28th.

Church Missionaries on Furlough

India—Rev. E. A. and Mrs. Toombs.

British Guiana—Dr. J. B. and Mrs. Cropper.

Japan — Miss Ethel G. MacDonald, under the W.M.S. (Eastern Division).

Church Missionaries Returning After Furlough

To Formosa—Rev. James and Mrs. Dickson, sailed *Empress of Asia,* August 28th.

To India—Mr. and Mrs. Angus MacKay, sailed *Empress of Canada,* September 7th; Rev. D. E. and Mrs. MacDonald, to sail *Empress of Japan,* October 5th; Rev. Charles P. and Mrs. Young, sailed *Duchess of Richmond,* June 14th.

To British Guiana—Rev. David and Mrs. Marshall, sailed *Lady Drake,* September 7th.

To Japan—Rev. Dr. L. L. Young, sailed *Empress of Canada,* September 7th.

Rev. Andrew S. Grant, B.A., M.D., B.D.

THE Presbyterian Church in Canada has once more suffered a very great loss in the death on July 22nd of the Reverend Andrew Shaw Grant, B.A., M.D., B.D., Secretary of the General Board of Missions. Of the loss to the Church the Women's Missionary Society is very keenly and vitally aware for they had no better friend, no wiser counsellor, no one who better understood their problems and above all no one who had the vision of the need of the Church and with that vision the practical plan to attain it. Through Dr. Grant's work in the Yukon we knew and admired him as minister, doctor, humanitarian and public benefactor. As a Women's Home Missionary Society we were auxiliary to the Home Mission Committee and therefore very closely in touch with Dr. Grant when he was General Superintendent and Convener of the Home Mission Committee.

Dr. Grant was a strong advocate of the amalgamation of the Woman's Missionary Society, Montreal, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and the Women's Home Missionary Society and in the bringing of this about in 1914 his help was invaluable.

When in 1925 we were faced with a reconstruction of our work, and determined that the Women's Board should stand by itself and no longer be an auxiliary Board, Dr. Grant was a strong champion because he knew better than most what the women could do.

Two outstanding things in Dr. Grant's work we would mention for with both our women were concerned. One of the great achievements of his life was the great Pre-Assembly Congress of 1913, when, through his energy and the Guarantee Fund he raised, all ministers and missionaries and their wives and a representative elder from each congregation were brought to Toronto without expense to themselves, for a period of two weeks. In 1925, due to Dr. Grant's foresight and energy, a second Congress was held before Assembly, embracing every minister and 2 laymen from each congregation.

The Women's Missionary Society can remind itself of many services rendered to them by Dr. Grant. The last time he appeared before the Council was in 1932 when he asked the W.M.S. to raise $25,000.00 over and above their estimates for the accumulated deficit of the Church. It seemed a big undertaking in times such as we were passing through, but the challenge was taken up and the amount raised.

Dr. Grant's death is a distinct loss to the Women's Missionary Society and because we know what our loss is and because of our love for him, with all our hearts we convey our sympathy to Mrs. Grant and her family.

At the meeting of Council Executive on September 10th, a tribute to Dr. Grant's life and work was paid by Mrs. Daniel Strachan. The following resolution was presented to be entered on our minute book, and also forwarded to Mrs. Grant and to the General Board of Missions.

> For as much as it hath pleased Almighty God in His unerring wisdom to take unto Himself the soul of the Reverend Andrew Shaw Grant, B.A., M.D., B.D., Secretary of the General Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, the Women's Missionary Society (W.D.), in company with the whole Church, desire to place on record their profound sense of loss and also to praise and magnify God for the life of this His servant who has finished his course and kept the faith.
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> ''Nothing is there for tears, nothing to wail
> Or knock the breast, no weakness, no contempt,
> Dispraise, or blame; nothing but well and fair
> And what may quiet us in a death so noble.''

Dr. Grant's life was devoted to the service of the Church he so greatly loved. We thank God for the influence of that life and for all whose lives were touched to diviner issues through his efforts and example in the early Yukon days. His qualities of heart and mind, his leadership and vision, strong convictions and fearlessness and simple faith were of inestimable value to the Church and in a special way in the missionary sphere with which he was identified first as General Superintendent and Convener of the Home Mission Committee and later as Secretary of the General Board of Missions.

To Mrs. Grant and her family, so sorely bereaved, we would express our deepest sympathy, remembering the words of our Lord— ''I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.''

We share in the loss of the General Board of Missions, but also we rejoice with them in ''sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ.''

''After this it was noised abroad that Mr. Valiant-for-truth was taken with a summons . . . When he understood it, he called for his friends and told them of it. Then he said, 'I am going to my Father's . . . My sword I give to him that shall succeed me in my pilgrimage; and my courage and skill to him that can get it. My marks and scars I carry with me, to be a witness for me, that I have fought his battles, who now will be my rewarder.' So he passed over, and all the trumpets sounded for him on the other side.''

Changes In Our National Work

MRS. DANIEL STRACHAN

CHANGES in our staff and changes in our work are inevitable from year to year and always after summer vacation there are some to note.

This year there are changes in two of our institutions which have been very dear to our membership—the ''Lucy M. Baker'' Residence at Prince Albert, Sask., and The Presbyterian Hospital at South Porcupine, Northern Ontario. The Residence has been closed and the Hospital has been sold to the Municipality of Tisdale and is, we understand, to be known from September 1st as ''The Tisdale Public Hospital''.

When the Hospital was bought and opened in 1926 it was stated that this Hospital was being opened and operated by the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church as a contribution to the life of the community with the expectation that as soon as they felt able the municipality would take over the responsibility. That time has come.

Increased accommodation was essential and Council Executive were approached to see if they would finance an addition to the hospital, but the Executive after consideration decided they could not accede to the request, and suggested that perhaps the time had arrived for the hospital to be taken over locally. After some negotiations the municipality decided to buy it and so the connection of the Women's Missionary Society with South Porcupine Hospital ended on September 1st and with very mixed feelings they surrender their responsibility.

Many expressions have come to the Council Executive of what the hospital has meant to the community and of appreciation of the service rendered by the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church. One or two may be quoted:

From one of the doctors, ''The Presbyterian Mission Hospital has performed a very great service in this community in the past and is serving a very essential one at the present time.''

''Some of the citizens here have been considerably surprised on the discovery of the amount of money that has been sent here to keep the hospital in operation and the unanimous opinion is that we are very much in the debt of the Missionary Society.''

From the Clerk of the Municipality of Tisdale, ''The Council were unanimous in voicing their approval and thanks to your Society for the wonderful work which you have carried on.''

And so another chapter in the history of the hospital work of our Society is closed. Let us look to the opening of another chapter in some pioneer field.

The Residence in Prince Albert was bought in 1920 with money raised in the great Forward Movement Campaign and for fifteen years this Residence has served the girlhood of that part of Saskatchewan in which it was situated. Latterly more schools have been opened up, round about, and the need of the Residence was apparently lessening. Council Executive felt the number of girls did not warrant the expenditure and so decided to close the Residence.

The house is at present rented but will ultimately be sold. Our members will be interested to know that considerable of the good bedding and furniture has been sent to Weirdale, Sask., to be used in the new hospital there, towards which our Society is giving a grant of $550. The furnishings sent were sufficient to equip a four bed hospital.

Miss Macdonald, who has been Superintendent at Prince Albert, wrote the Secretary of the Department that when it became known that the Residence was closing, she had received a number of letters from mothers thanking her for the care given their daughters and many were the expressions of regret at the closing of the Residence.

As we close these institutions Council Executive would express to Miss Wenger and her staff at South Porcupine, and to Miss Elizabeth Macdonald, Superintendent of the Residence at Prince Albert, their grateful thanks for the service rendered during their connection with the Women's Missionary Society. To Miss Macdonald they especially express thanks for all her work in closing the Residence, and selling the contents left after sending what was needed to Weirdale, which resulted in $812 being sent to the General Treasurer from the sale and balance on hand. From South Porcupine also will come a balance on hand when the hospital was taken over.

The members of the Women's Missionary Society may feel that these two institutions have rendered invaluable service in the past and we are sure we can speak for all the membership in wishing continued prosperity and service to Tisdale Public Hospital.

Designated to Service in Formosa

AN impressive service was held in Robertson Memorial Church, Vancouver, B.C., on Tuesday evening, September 3rd, when Miss Ruth Heighton, B.A., was set apart for work in Formosa, as an evangelist, under the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Miss Ruth Heighton, B.A.

The service was under the auspices of the Presbytery of Westminster, and was conducted by the Moderator, Rev. R. C. Acheson, assisted by Rev. J. R. Frizell, and Rev. F. G. Fowler, of Vancouver. Rev. W. A. Cameron, D.D., Vancouver, preached the sermon, and Rev. A. Esler, D.D., Vancouver, addressed the young missionary. Mrs. R. M. Thomson, President of British Columbia Provincial, extended the warm greetings of Council Executive and presented the candidate for designation. Miss Heighton was then solemnly dedicated for her important work, the ceremony being conducted by the Moderator. The designation prayer was led by Rev. R. J. Douglas, D.D., of New Westminster, and the right hand of fellowship was extended to the candidate by members of Presbytery.

The following gifts were then presented: An English Bible, on behalf of Council Executive, by Mrs. T. Wilson, 1st Vice-President of British Columbia Provincial; a Japanese Bible and Amoy New Testament by Rev. Ellis, on behalf of the British and Foreign Bible Society; a travelling case from Westminster Presbyterial, by the President, Mrs. J. A. McPherson; a typewriter and kodak from the organizations of Robertson Church, by Mrs. H. Fraser, President of the Auxiliary.

Miss Heighton is a graduate of the University of British Columbia, and also a graduate deaconess of the Presbyterian Missionary and Deaconess Training Home, Toronto. She sailed on the *Empress of Canada*, September 7th, for Formosa.

A New Book

MRS. JOHN WILLIAMS

"BOOKS for Summer Reading" has given place to "With the New Books". Among these newcomers is one of the Blue Books of our Church. While we may make little or no use of the other Blue Books, notwithstanding the valuable information contained, yet this particular book being the report of our Society should receive careful attention.

September brings this new book and with it this question "What use—this year?" Let us with great expectations seek out the treasures in the Report and plan carefully how to use it to the best advantage.

On the cover we read our motto "The World for Christ"—a call to each to a definite service in obedience to a Divine Command. Next comes "Twenty-first Annual Report". Each year a report has come telling of growth and change, of success and failure, of courage and hope. What has been the fate of the twenty predecessors of this Report? They are most important for comparison, reference and history. Here too is the history in brief of our Society from its beginnings seventy-one years ago to the Women's Missionary Society of today, a vital part of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

A most illuminating section is that dealing with the Council Executive. It is really a bird's eye view of our Society. The different Secretaryships show wide and varied fields of service and an organization that has a place for every woman and child in our Church. The several committees mean thought and time given in dealing with the different departments of work. Representation on other Boards speak of co-operation. What do these names mean to you? How many of these women do you know? For how many do you pray? They are women giving time, thought, energy, the best that in them lies, freely and willingly to administer the work of our Society.

The report of the proceedings of the annual meeting comes next. As a member, you have a right to know the programme presented, the reports made, and the business transacted and so should make a careful study of this record.

"Money Speaks", through the Financial Statement telling of the support of work at home and abroad and the requirements for the future, of special gifts and legacies, of co-operation, of grants given and grants received, of the contributions of members and friends, of a well-organized, carefully administered department. Truly a study of these pages makes one marvel at the magnitude of our work, great in its scope and minute in its detail.

Would you not like to travel with your ''dollar'' and see what it is doing? This desire may be largely gratified if through the reports of the secretaries you behold darkness brightened, pain and suffering eased, children cared for, boys and girls at school, loneliness cheered, and most of all the light of joy and hope on the face of one who has come to know Jesus Christ as a personal Saviour. These reports may well form the basis of many an interesting meeting. Is Formosa to be your study? Who is the Secretary for that field? Read her report. Add to the valuable material found there, current events from *Glad Tidings* or the *Record* and you will have a profitable programme.

What message comes from reading the names of the members of the W.M.S. staff? Surely it is one of willingness and joy in service, of self-forgetfulness that others may hear the story of Redeeming Love. It is a reminder, too, that we are responsible for their support, that we must know their work, their difficulties, their hopeful outlook, that we should never forget to pray for them.

An inter-provincial afternoon would be most interesting. The reports of the Provincial Secretaries bring to us in a very real way the oneness in aim and purpose and the great difference in problems and opportunities. It is here we see the interdependence of the various provinces and the need of united effort.

How often we see nothing but names and figures in the Presbyterial reports! We fail to see an organization that keeps a record of the smallest Mission Band as well as the strongest Auxiliary. We miss much if we do not visit through these pages with workers in other places. You may meet an old friend in the list of officers. Write to her. Recently an Eastern Secretary met a Secretary from the West and found that they had the same home town. Are you planning a trip? Find out the W.M.S. leaders, call on them. You will find much in common and have added pleasure. Then, too, these reports are valuable for comparison. Compare your Auxiliary, or your Presbyterial with another, or compare with your report of a year ago. You will find this exercise stimulating.

After a talk on the ''Constitution'' a member said, ''I am so glad to hear this. I really did not know before''. Interest comes from knowing. Study the ''Constitution''. It is not for officers only but for every member to know the organization in all its parts, the duties of each Board and officer, its relation to our Church, its aim and purpose.

These are but some of the ''treasures'' in the new Blue Book. You will find many others if you use it expecting to find.

''The story of the past is told
The future may be writ in gold.''

Earthquake In Formosa

Alma M. Burdick

SOME time ago at a meeting of the North Formosa Mission Council, I was requested to write a letter giving you some information regarding the earthquake in Formosa.

The final statistics as given out by the Government General of Formosa are as follows: population in the affected area, 930,000; earthquake sufferers, 160,000; killed, 3,340; injured, 11,993; houses totally destroyed, 17,836.

The above are statistics of the quake which occurred April 21st, 1935. On July 17th, there was an after shake which killed some 40 people and destroyed many homes.

When details of the April 21st tragedy began to leak out, and we realized that Formosa had been stricken by an earthquake of really major proportions we immediately hurried down to the earthquake area to see what help we could give, and to see how our workers and their flocks had fared. Bags of rice were left at nearly every church with information that when this was used up more would be forthcoming. Christian women who wanted to help in the work of relief, but who were unable to do so in a financial way made up clothes from material supplied by the relief committee. The hospital shared in the work by sending boxes of medicines to all the churches in the district affected. Temporary shacks have been erected by the earthquake committee in many towns to help people whose homes were destroyed, and who had not the means to immediately replace them. In some cases complete shelters were built. In other cases the materials were supplied, and the people themselves attended to the erection. Many trips have been taken to the earthquake area, and when supplies or money were given out, it was only after careful examination on the spot, and in cases where there was real distress. The churches have always been used as the centers of distribution, the preachers seeing to it that we got the most for the money distributed.

The losses to our churches have been very heavy. Eight churches have been either completely destroyed, or else so badly damaged that they will have to be torn down and re-built. Two churches have been badly damaged, but can be repaired. Three rented buildings have been destroyed, and with whole towns in complete ruins it will be almost impossible to again rent in any of these towns. The Christians, knowing the limitations of a rented hall, are also very anxious that these halls be replaced with church buildings.

Our plans for the future call for the erection of re-inforced concrete buildings or rather, buildings with re-inforced concrete pillars. In this land where it is not cold, the walls do not have to be so carefully made; woven bamboo covered with mud and plaster will suffice. The cost of such a church will be about five hundred dollars. The cost of the six-roomed manses which will be erected will be about the same. In some cases the Christians will be able to assist in the erection of new buildings. In other cases it will be impossible to ask them for any help, for they have not the wherewithal to erect homes for themselves. They show a willingness, nevertheless, of giving of their labor to help lower the cost of the new buildings.

As for the congregations themselves, this catastrophe seems to have been followed by a season of deep spiritual growth. The town most seriously affected was Nai-ho. Mr. Wilkie visited this town as soon as the railway had been repaired. The first thing the preacher had to say was that they were going to close the church. Ten church members out of an enrollment of perhaps fifty had been killed, and as many more regular adherents had also lost their lives. The preacher himself had lost his daughter. There was no church now, and the people were too poor to think about erecting a new building. There was nothing to do but close up and join with the nearest church, about ten miles away. His present manse consisted of four bamboo poles and a piece of cotton cloth. The poles were supposed to keep out the wind. The cloth kept out the sun. The sky remained clear, so the rain kept off itself. To all of this Mr. Wilkie and his companions replied that if the preacher wished to rest for a week or so he could do so, but there was to be no more talk of closing the church. Enough money had been taken there to attend to the erection of a temporary shack, and a church was promised to come in due course. One thing was certain, the Christians needed the ministrations of the Church now as they had never needed them before, and he, the preacher, would be expected to stick by them. Later Mr. Wilkie visited that station again when the preacher showed him the report of the Sunday attendances. These had grown from a regular pre-earthquake attendance of about fifty to over one hundred. Not only were the numbers greater, but the whole spiritual life of the people seemed to have been suddenly deepened. The same story could be told of practically all of the churches in the district.

Through the distribution of clothes by way of the churches, an opportunity for making new contacts with the non-Christians was afforded. One man read the tract given him on the spot and lingered for over an hour asking questions about the Gospel, later he brought his family to the church. Some heathen people were heard to say, ''Oh, the priests from the other religions were always coming to our door asking for money. Since the earthquake we have seen nothing of them, but you from the Christian religion have come offering help and sympathy.''

Strange stories of earthquake experiences are coming to us continually. A wee child was found safe in the cavity caused by the arm of his dead grandparent which surrounded him. The body of a father held the beams high enough for another boy to remain unharmed. A sister helped her brother make the coffin for another brother. In some places all the people were wailing for loved ones, some for a brother, some for a mother, or a father, wife, child. Each had his or her own sorrow which made the work of excavating all the more pitiful.

Since the earthquake typhoons have come tearing down many of the temporary homes which had been erected in the devastated area. As I write a high wind is blowing and we wonder where the center of the storm is.

We appreciate all your expressions of sympathy and your gifts and prayers.

The Auxiliary Story Book

MISS P. B. LAMONT

YOU think I mean the Study Book but that is not what I have in mind at all. Instead, I am thinking about the story each Auxiliary writes every year. It has as many chapters as there are Secretaries—for each writes one—and in the well-ordered Auxiliary each Secretary reads her chapter.

At the December meeting what a story as a year's work passes in review! A story of prayer, friendly visits, recruiting new members, supplies for the body and mind, welcoming the stranger, training the children, stewardship of time, talent and money, and innumerable other tales of service for Him we love. Truly a wonderful story to tell to the Auxiliary.

There is another place where this story must be told. Your Auxiliary is an organization within the Church, so its doings must be made known at the annual meeting of the congregation. There is not time to have all the chapters read in detail, so it falls to the lot of the Secretary to write a summary of the various chapters and read it there. She also sends this summary to the Corresponding Secretary of the Presbyterial. To do this it is necessary for her to receive a written copy of each chapter.

The interest in this story goes beyond the local congregation. Each Presbyterial Secretary needs a copy of the part pertaining to her department for she must write a chapter for the Presbyterial Story Book and all her material comes from what is sent in by her Auxiliary Secretaries. Unless she gets interesting material how can she make her chapter interesting? Unless she gets some from each Auxiliary how can her story be complete? She is anxious that it be so for she in turn sends on her chapter to her Provincial Secretary—and in a similar way, on it goes to Council and the tale of accomplishment is told at General Assembly.

Like climbing a stair, isn't it, or playing with building blocks? Do you see that the material for all these marvellous tales, which tell of sacrifice and service to make known the love of God — all this material comes from the individual Auxiliary, Young Women's Auxiliary, Girls' Group, Mission Band or Home Helpers? Are you writing a chapter of your Auxiliary Story Book this year? If so, why not make it the best chapter in the Book?

There is a time element to be considered. We read in our ''Book of Instructions'' that these Auxiliary chapters, sometimes called reports, should be sent to the Presbyterial Secretaries by December 31st. Is this important? A Presbyterial Secretary says ''Yes, for I have to have my story written and sent on to my Provincial Secretary by January 20th. How can I write my story until I get my material? If you are late, you are holding me back, and I want to be on time, as everybody should.''

So members of Auxiliary Executives, won't you please get your report ready for the December meeting. Read it. Have it adopted by the Auxiliary. Give a copy to the Secretary of your Auxiliary and send another to your Presbyterial Secretary not later than December 31st. It does matter. It is important. We are in business for the King and His business requires haste.

Another question, who are to write the various chapters for the Auxiliary Story Book next year? Does it matter? We all know that it does, although the writing of the story is not as important as providing the material to put into it. So let us choose our officers and secretaries for next year with great care. How can this be done? If we read Acts 1:21-26 we will see what preparation was considered necessary in the first century. Might we not learn a lesson here?

Most Auxiliaries find a Nominating Committee a great help. This committee, appointed at the November meeting, if not before, will undertake to find a suitable person for each office in the Auxiliary, remembering:

(*a*) That all are out of office at the end of each year.

(*b*) That it is not good for Auxiliaries to retain the same members always in office. Others are thus denied the privilege of learning by experience—which is the best way.

(*c*) That women not afraid to try new methods are very desirable, and these are usually found among the younger members.

At the December meeting, when the annual election of officers takes place, this committee will present its report nominating one person for each office. This does not prevent other nominations being made if desired. If other nominations are made, however, a vote by ballot becomes necessary. Suggestions as to mode of procedure at election of officers may be found in the leaflet, ''A Guide for Auxiliary Officers'', which is to be had free from the Publications office.

To you who are willing to undertake responsibility! Think of the privilege and opportunity of service; think of the story you would like to be able to write at the end of the year; then begin at once to pray and plan to realize that desire.

Women's Christian Medical College Ludhiana, Punjab, India

The material for this article on the founding and growth of this institution, to which the Women's Missionary Society gives a yearly grant of $50, was taken from an Historical Sketch, written by Miss Edith M. Brown, Founder and Principal of the College.

IN 1893, a conference of women medical missionaries met to consider the question of the medical training of Christian women in India, and it was decided that a separate medical school should be opened for women, attached to a women's hospital, and managed by Christian medical women, so that the girls should not be exposed to the difficulties which could not be avoided in a mixed school attached to a general hospital.

Accordingly, in 1894 the North India School of Medicine for Christian Women was opened in Ludhiana. This place was chosen for the school because the clinical work of the Ludhiana Zenana Hospital was placed at the disposal of the school, and because an empty school building was available there.

During the next ten years, steady progress was made. The School was recognized by the Government as a Teaching Institution, and students were allowed to present themselves for the Sub-Assistant-Surgeon's examinations held at the Lahore Medical College. In 1909 the Punjab Government requested that non-Christian students be admitted, in order that they might be under the ''refining and elevating influence of Christian women during their years of training''.

In 1911, the name of the School was changed to ''Women's Christian Medical College'' and four years later, the Punjab Government closed their women's department at the Lahore Medical College, transferring all the girls, both Christian and non-Christian, to Ludhiana. The School was declared officially to be in every respect a satisfactory institution, for the training of women for subordinate medical positions, and to have an efficient and capable staff. The confidence of the Government had been secured, and the work had earned full public approval.

Forty-one years ago, one of God's servants, Dame Edith Brown, the founder of this pioneer college, had a vision burned into her soul of the wrongs of Indian womanhood. She saw the sick and suffering widows and orphans secluded and untaught, and with the vision came the conviction that the few Western women who might be sent to India could never overtake the task of giving medical aid to her many millions.

Looking back over those 41 years we note that 265 medical students, 136 compounders, 174 nurses, 206 midwives, 418 nurse *dais* and 83 indigenous *dais* have graduated from the College and scattered all over India, some even going abroad to Burma, Assam and Arabia. During these 40 years 68,000 in-patients have been treated and 1,071,000 outpatients have paid some three million visits in order to receive attention. But more interesting than this, it is estimated that the graduates are treating some three million women and children each year.

The Spirit of the College

While the College exists for the primary purpose of providing medical training for those who feel called to take up such work, there are other lesser, but very important activities which go to help in the making of fully-equipped Christian workers. To this end there was formed in 1908 a Students' Branch of the Y.W.C.A.

The Student Volunteer Band is another branch of Christian work, which has for its motto: ''My greatest desire is to spread the Gospel of Christ in India. I promise to use every opportunity for the furtherance of His Kingdom''. This earnest band of Christian workers was formed in 1912, and has for its aim village and Sunday School work.

In the troublous times of the war, there was formed a Branch of the Daughters of the Empire. This Branch has taken up Red Cross work, Social Service work, the teaching of patriotism and philanthropic work of all kinds.

The National Missionary Society of Ludhiana was formed in 1912, with the object of interesting the girls in the evangelization of India. It holds regular monthly meetings for the study of various forms of missionary effort.

After qualifying, many of the graduates go to lonely places where they have a good deal more leisure than they had in college. It is not always easy for them to know what to do with it and how profitably to get in contact with others outside their work. Therefore, a Cadet Ranger Company has been started. Cadet Rangers are a branch of the Girl Guide Movement, for girls over eighteen years of age who are willing to train for service in the Movement. The Guide Movement is spreading rapidly all over India, but they are badly in need of leaders. Through this Ranger Company, Ludhiana students will have the opportunity to become worthy leaders of the girlhood of India, inspiring them with a desire for the service of others.

The College Song

(Composed by one of the graduates)

What shall we sing and what shall be our password
Within your gates, our College great and true?
Of all that raises womanhood you witness,
Therefore we pledge our loyalty to you.

Yours was the honor of a new adventure;
The years have seen a vision spring to birth.
May He who owned and blessed your earliest efforts
Make you for aye a blessing to the earth!

And we who here have learned mysterious science,
Here have acquired knowledge, patience, nerve,
We leave your gates, yet wandering far asunder,
This shall our pass-word be: ''By love we serve''.

Others there are who give their life-blood gladly,
Called by their King, they do not shrink or pause.
We for our Land will give a willing service,
Thrilled by the glory of a noble cause.

Ludhiana Compound—Home!

''SOME day we'll write a book! Some day we'll write a book about Ludhiana!'' This was perhaps our fondest jest and dream during those years when my sister and I were girls and Ludhiana, Punjab, India, was the home of our Fife family.

''When we write our book we must put in this lovely blue smoke that fills the air just at sundown!'' ''When we write our book let's not forget to put in the oiled wrestlers that practise on the sand hills back of the compound; or the snake charmer who pulled the cobra from our thorn hedge; or the peacocks in the trees by the cemetery, or those gorgeously painted elephants that were brought for us to ride on just after the Delhi durbar. They belonged to the Maharajah of Jhind!'' ''Let's not forget to tell about all the love stories that have happened in this old compound, or the lady globe-trotter who wore seven dresses at once to save packing an extra suitcase, and then fell into a full bath-tub!'' ''We must include Halley's comet, and that dreadful earthquake, and these nights when we sleep under the stars and the air is heavy with the scent of orange blossom and jasmine.'' ''Right through the book we'll have the church bell ringing—services, services, weddings and funerals! Was there ever another bell that rung so much?'' So we talked.

Years have gone by and our book is still unwritten. The years in their going have brought changes, but many of the old friends still remain in and near Ludhiana. The square-towered church still stands at the compound entrance, the bungalows with their spreading gardens are the same houses through which we played as youngsters. I doubt not that, just as we did, the present generation of missionary children sends up fire-balloons from the bungalow roofs, sails boats in the tiny streams that flow through the gardens on days when the oxen work at the wells. I doubt not that the present generation, in the early dawn, hears the call to prayer from a Mohammedan mosque a little way down the road, and in the evening listens for the ringing of bells and blowing of conch-shells at the river temple while the Hindu idol is being put to bed.

Ludhiana itself is a delightful city, with wide bazaars and vivid side streets. Wells, trees, mansions and hovels, glimpses of courtyards, the life of city people as lived along the streets make a trip through the town a fascinating experience, even if one to be avoided at certain seasons! I have never yet ridden into Ludhiana city without a sense of high adventure. To the west of the town lie the residences of civil officials, the railway, the government gardens. To the east is the mission compound. Sixty miles beyond are the Himalayas, a blue wall at the edge of the world.

A century ago this compound was a sandy waste. It was an old Mohammedan cemetery, where uncoffined bodies lay in shallow graves. Stinking vultures perched on thorn trees in the intervals of their circling the heavens watching for prey. One is told that the business men of Ludhiana thought the owner of the land had put through a sharp deal when he agreed to turn over this great waste tract to young Dr. Lowry. The compound may be sixty acres in extent, and is held on a nine-hundred-and-ninety-nine year lease. We have yet nine centuries in which to use the land!

Today the Ludhiana mission compound resembles a great park. It is on the air route from Ambalia to Lahore. We have often wondered how it looks to the aviators who fly above it. Quite likely to them it is only a grove, with an occasional house-top showing among the trees. Little they know of the eager life that goes on under the trees. Do they suspect that in the grove are pillared verandahs humming with school boys, teachers preparing lessons, bakers cooking flat-cakes in buried ovens? Do they dream that here new missionaries, recently arrived from over the sea, struggle with a cryptic character? That in the adjacent compound is a wonderful medical college, and beyond that a famous hospital? They can see nothing at all of the weaving establishments, the carpenters at work, the presses, the varieties of industry that flourish because our compound is here.

During the winter of 1925-26 it was my privilege to take my young family of three to India to visit their grandparents in Ludhiana.

''Don't worry about the children at all,'' said mother on our arrival.

''They will be perfectly safe anywhere on the compound. Nothing can hurt them. Just don't let them fall down the wells, or bother the crazy man who often wanders in from the city; and I suppose they had better not poke at the sacred bulls that come in to see what they can find to eat and to lie in the shade under the hedges. I'm sure you remember, yourself, what a safe and glorious place this compound is for children to play in!''

For, you see, the mission compound was home!

—Eunice Fife Sheldon in *Women and Missions*.

St. Christopher's Training College Madras—South India

The material for this article has been largely drawn from the official report of the College Council. We, as a Women's Missionary Society, give a yearly grant of $100 to this institution.

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S is a Christian college for training Indian women teachers. It is supported by contributions from Missionary Societies in Britain and America, and by a government teaching grant. Most of the students come from mission boarding schools and go back to teach in such schools for a year or two at least after leaving college.

Preparations for the establishment in Madras of this college began early in 1921 and the college was opened in July 4, 1923. It was felt that such a training school would have a far reaching influence as graduates would go out to supervise other teachers and to teach in elementary and secondary training schools.

In April, 1932, the college bought a compound of three acres adjoining the Bentinck Girls' High School in Vepery. This action was taken in consequence of an offer made by the London Missionary Society to transfer the management of that school to St. Christopher's Training College. It is hoped that the transfer will be made in 1935 when a long felt need for the college to have its own practicing school will be met.

Life at St. Christopher's

Much in the training course would seem familiar to teachers in the West; discussions on the Dalton Plan and Project Method; books in the library by Dewey and Nunn; teaching and criticism; making illustrations, maps and charts; but much in the daily life of the students would seem very unfamiliar: a dining room without tables, chairs, knives, spoons or forks; sleeping on the floor; dresses without a stitch, hook or button; and cooking dinner on a small mud stove.

The need for health teaching in India is indicated by the fact that, while in England the expectation of life is about 58 years, in India it is 23 years. If healthy ways of life are to be introduced it must be through the co-operation of women in their homes. This is one of the reasons why in 1926 Domestic Science was admitted as a subject to be taught in St. Christopher's Training College.

The beginnings of the teaching of household science to a small group of Indian women in a teacher's training college may seem a small thing, but when one realizes that it is an effort to bring health education into girls' schools and into their homes, one sees of what great importance such teaching may be. Miss Checha Eipe, an Indian teacher, went from Madras to Toronto, Canada, to take the Master's Degree at that University, with a view to returning to teach in her own college, St. Christopher's College, Madras. In 1929, Miss Eipe returned, being the first woman in South India fully qualified to teach household science.

There is much in the daily life of students at St. Christopher's that is related to the interests of household science students. Courses in Physiology and Hygiene are given to all students. Physical Education comes both in and outside the regular college course. After the heat of the day is over, the students play games out of doors and sometimes there are matches with other colleges. Their favorite game is badminton, but they also play net-ball, tennis and volley ball. Foreigners are always surprised that the students can play games at all in their long clinging *saris,* but they find that some make strong and vigorous opponents on the badminton and tennis court. There is a danger in Indian schools of too close absorption in text books and lessons, and it is of great importance for the health of the girls that games and drill should be emphasized.

From the opening of the college the graduate students have managed their own housekeeping. Two students undertake each month to get in supplies and order meals, and the servant is responsible to them, not to any member of the staff. The experience is a useful preparation for hostel and home life in later years. Practical opportunities for health education are provided in the college. A number of students take courses in First Aid and Home Nursing, and certain students go regularly to help at a child welfare centre in the neighborhood where mothers bring their babies and are given help and advice.

Once a week, some of the students visit two outcaste villages nearby, make friends with the women and children, and help them to understand more about happy and healthy ways of living. The Girl Guide Company at the college has started a company of Blue Birds among the village children. In these ways the students have tried to help the villagers, and they have gained much themselves in realizing the need around them and ways to meet that need.

One of the most interesting signs of new life in India is the growing desire for the education of girls. There is a danger of undue elation, however, over the increase in the number of schools and scholars, for it is obvious that the real crux of the problem is the supply of teachers. The first need in Indian schools is for a number of teachers with a real love of their work and of children. It was with the thought that such ideals might be imparted in a Christian training college that, in 1923, St. Christopher's Training College was opened.

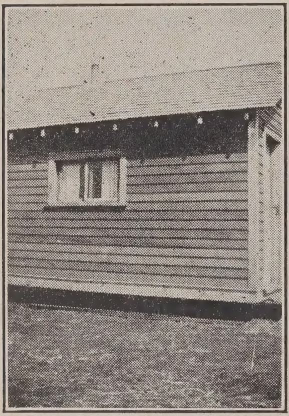
OUR LETTER BOX

Adventuring in New Paths

Brownvale, Alberta.

"LAST night Mr. Fraser, another girl and I started off for Figure Eight, 11 miles north, and after two hours splashing through mud, water and muskeg, we got there. There were ten at the service in the little log school-house. Two of the girls had walked three miles through the rain, and had left home at 5 o'clock to make sure they would be there by 8 o'clock. It was 11.40 p.m. when we got back to Brownvale, and still raining, but I am glad we went.

A week ago I had the great privilege of organizing a new Sunday School in Burnt Lee district, 20 miles from here. They have never had a day school up there, and never a Sunday School or service, but a school is now being built, and we can use it, and in the meantime will have Sunday School in a home. It gave me quite a thrill to see the mothers bringing their little ones to Sunday School for the first time in their lives, and to see how interested they were in the story of the birth of Jesus, and also the little choruses I tried to teach them. We had 11 from the district, and 5 visitors, and 4 of the former drove 6 miles in a democrat, over terrible roads. Most of the mothers have come from homes where church-going was the custom, but for years have been living away back in this isolated district, with no opportunity of hearing the gospel, and I don't believe any in that particular part have radios. One woman I visited, told me that she came from Ontario where her father used to be active in church work, but it is years since she was there and years since she was at any service. She has two lovely children, and in the field near to the home is a little grave, fenced around with rough sticks, where lies her oldest child, a boy of five, who got an insect bite on the eye, and died in a few days. This little mother works away day after day, seldom ever away from the place, and very little real joy in her life. She asked her husband if he would bring her to Sunday School, but he said he had gone to Sunday School when he was a child, and didn't need to go now, and so she didn't get out, but I hope to get her there somehow. She was so glad when she heard it was to be started. Pray for that district especially, where communism is very much alive, but thanks be unto God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.



Deaconess' Residence, Brownvale, Alta.

Yes! I am really in a house of my own, and am very happy. The building idea was going to be too expensive, and the men would not have been able to build it till after seeding time, so, instead, I bought a cabin from a tourist camp, and had it sided outside and in. It is only 10′ by 14′, so I have not many spare rooms, but it is very comfortable, and in a few weeks one of the men is going to build a lean-to for me, which will relieve the congestion considerably. I had no furniture of my own, but borrowed some things to start with, and then the Edmonton women very kindly had a shower for me, which just about turned the cabin into a palace. They sent enough to furnish both the present room and the lean-to, and everything is beautiful as well as useful. Several gifts have come from other individuals and Auxiliaries, and each thing seems more useful than the one before. The cabin is on the Brownvale Church property. I would have liked it further north a few miles, but the problem of a barn for the horses, and also water is quite a consideration, so here I am, right at the end of the village. The enclosed picture will give you some idea of my mansion. You see it is up on skids, so I can move it any time.''

—*(Miss) Mary G. Todd.*

A Worthy Work

Mount Nebo, Sask.

''IT is such a long time since I wrote any contribution to the *Glad Tidings* that I feel I must acknowledge letters, cards and literature which have been so kindly sent to our Auxiliary and our children.

Our Church and Society suffered the loss of our leading elder, William Dreaver, this year. Words fail to express the loss sustained by the sudden removal of such a life from a community where his sphere of service was so important as Reserve life amongst Indians is much similar to the life of a very large family, especially when Church life acts as a great centre as it does on Mistawasis Reserve.

I must mention the very excellent quality and supply of clothing for our school children sent to us last autumn. We at once supplied each child with an outfit for winter, another at Easter time, and still have some left for the summer. I took great pleasure in turning down some large hems and otherwise remodelling a few garments. Of the abundant supply of infants' outfits, I must make special mention, as these are constantly in demand. With these beautiful and dainty outfits the little members are brought to Church in their mother's arms, looking charming and lovely, to add their choruses to the minister's remarks. Not less appreciated was the supply of quilts. The first one is always given to the Chief, who is a central figure and an eminently good and wise man, now almost eighty years old. He is still active and keen in intellect yet we sometimes look around and wonder by whom could his place be adequately filled? Each pupil, as far as possible, received a quilt, which is a great asset and comfort in a climate like ours.''

—(Mrs.) J. W. Moore.

In Spite of Handicaps

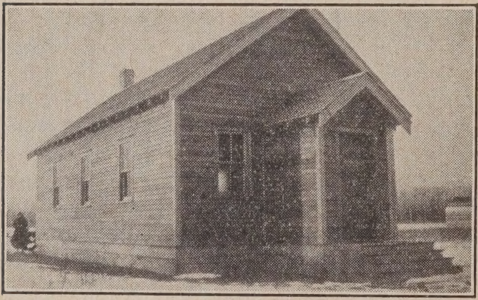
Wanham, Alberta.

''WORK has been carried on these past two months under difficulties. There have been excessive rains, practically every week, with the exception of the last two or three days, continuing three days at a time, with the result that bridges and culverts have been washed out and roads have been in a terrible condition. Where one has got through to the other points, it has meant hours on the road. One trip to Heart Valley took all day, from 9 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. Ordinarily that is 15 miles, but the bridge across the Cadotte River was out and we had to go round by Westvale. It took four hours to get there (12 miles) the horses ploughing through deep mud holes most of the way. After an hour's stop for lunch and to feed the horses we went on six miles round to Heart Valley, making a few calls by the way. It was impossible to put the horses back over that road, so I stayed over night and in the morning went out visiting round the east end of the district. Our good elder with whom I was staying would not let me go alone, so took a day off work to drive me. So many culverts are washed out, and deep holes made in the road that one has to be careful. I certainly have a trustworthy team, where so many get stuck I get through, and that is one way of testifying to the people that the God whom we serve is able to carry us through all difficulties.

Our mail service was disrupted through the floods at Lesser Slave Lake. This week, for the first time in two months, the train came in on its regular days, Tuesday and Friday. We had just been getting first class mail by plane once a week. However, things are getting back to normal again.

Just one day's visiting. We left at 9 a.m., drove 9 miles and called on a Swedish family; went on 7½ miles further into the Westvale district to a farm where we had lunch. I intended staying about one hour but an interesting conversation on our Christian faith was started by the man of the house. Time went on and we talked for one and a half hours. He could not reason it out, but we tried to show that it was not of head but of heart. We pray that the seed sown may bring forth fruit and that he may come to a simple faith in Christ. Leaving there we went on one-half mile to another home. This family have newly come in. They had been burned out and are getting things by degrees. This is one home where we can help with supplies. The next home was that of one of our bachelors who comes regularly to church. Two miles further on, right in the bush, is a family of five who are making a home for themselves. They have not been to church yet but we hope to see them soon. They are five miles from the school-house, and with chores to do, it seems hard to get away. Again we are able to help out with supplies. Some one sent me in school books so we can give some of grade nine. Coming back we called at one of our regular families, where the young man is making me a cutter for winter. The last call is at the home of one of the girls who came to camp. There is not much encouragement in that home as the father is an unbeliever but the girl seems eager to learn.

About 450 miles have been covered during July and August. Sixty visits have been made and the home of the deaconess has been a busy place, so many people have come in regarding supplies or to talk over their troubles and I feel the house is a great means to an end, that of bringing others into contact with our Lord Jesus Christ.


Knox Presbyterian Church, Wanham, Alta.

One gift that has meant much to us has been that of an organ. The little portable one did its duty but how much nicer to see the lovely big one up on the platform. It is in splendid condition and the tone of it is beautiful.

A few supplies have come in and have been given out. As far as I can judge there will be as much need as ever for relief clothing. There are new families coming in. I heard of one the other day where they have practically no clothing at all and there are five in that home. Again many of our families cannot afford to buy all they need and they come to me for some articles and are willing to give wood or produce as part payment. This has meant that we have a fund whereby we can help ourselves. It was from this fund that we were able to pay for the varnishing of the Church. Now we are having the outside painted and I hope to be able to pay for that from that fund also. The giving of clothing is a means of showing the people that we have a Christian interest in them. Crops are late this year on account of the heavy rains and so it is hard to tell what kind of a harvest we shall have.

As we look forward to the fall work, we again covet your prayers, that we may be faithful and that the people here may be blessed.''

—*(Miss) Margaret Grigor.*

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

WITH the harvest being garnered from the fields, the thoughts of the people turn naturally toward Thanksgiving. And, as we come with thanksgiving in our hearts, we bring our thank-offerings in our hands. No programme is more important, and looked forward to with as much interest as the Thank-offering Programme of the Auxiliary. Each member brings the utmost she can give as her offering, and the executive feel that they must give their utmost in the preparation of a suitable programme.

''How can we make the meeting this year the very best?'' is a question repeatedly asked.

PRAY for it.
WORK for it.
ADVERTISE it, and talk about it.
PLAN it well.
FILL IT with a happy fellowship, when you go.
ENJOY IT — the Lord loveth a CHEERFUL giver.

To help those who are planning the programme, the following leaflets provide suggestions either for the feature address, or to be worked in as interesting numbers.

AS UNTO THE LORD—a thank-offering dialogue, price 5c.

TRY THANKSGIVING, a story for younger groups 3c.

HOW CAN A WOMAN TITHE? a short reading 4c.

IMMORTAL MONEY—a paper on the use of money 5c.

NOT OMITTING THE FOURTH STANZA, splendid thank-offering reading 3c. each.

SAVING THE CHURCH, a little thank-offering story, and just right to fold in the thank-offering envelopes.

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS, a monologue, price 3c. each.

Short Pageants:

THE MAGIC THANK-OFFERING BOX, for a number of girls and women, 15c.

MY ALTAR OF THANKSGIVING, for a reader and several characters, 15c.

WHAT LACK I YET GREAT POSSESSIONS	Two excellent stewardship plays, printed in one booklet, either one would make a valuable contribution to an Auxiliary programme, price 25c. per copy.

New Books

OUR CHURCH, by Dr. Kannawin, General Secretary of the Board of Sabbath Schools and Y.P. Societies of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. This most comprehensive book deals with Presbyterianism, and outlines the work of our Church in Canada, our missionary programme, the local Church, and its call to youth. Naturally with the genial doctor's love of youth it is written for youth, and is a most valuable contribution to our literature, but it is also a book that every member will wish to read and own. Beautifully bound in cloth, it will sell at $1.00.

LITTLE TALES OF JESUS, by Stuart C. Parker, D.D., is another new book by one of our own ministers, in which the parables of Jesus are given a new interest. The reaction from it is to read the parables again, and then to once more read the book. Excellent for parents and leaders, and just the book one likes to keep beside one for the quiet hour. Bound in cloth, $1.00 per copy.

MISTRESS PAT, by L. M. Montgomery. This author has retired from the manse and come to Toronto, but that does not mean her pen has retired. This new book, just out, is a sequel to ''Pat of the Silver Bush'', and girls have been asking for a sequel to it. We are announcing it early so that you may put it on your Christmas list. Price $2.00.

The Open Door of Manchuria

(Manchukuo)

A SET of slides is ready on the work of the Presbyterian Church in Manchukuo, covering the period 1927 - 1935. Your Secretary has made use freely of the pamphlet issued by Rev. Dr. Goforth and Rev. Allan Reoch to mark the Jubilee year. Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Goforth have given much time and aid in the preparation of the material and have kindly loaned the pictures.

Note.—The address of Mrs. E. Perry, Lantern Slide Secretary for Ontario, has been changed from 64 Aziel Street, Toronto, to 159 Mavety Street, Toronto.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we Thine unworthy servants do give Thee most humble and hearty thanks for all Thy goodness and loving kindness to us, and to all men. We bless Thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for Thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech Thee, give us that due sense of all Thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth Thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to Thy service, and by walking before Thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

For the gift of life in this wonderful world; for days of health and for nights of quiet sleep,

We thank Thee, our Father.

For the beautiful face of the year; for the glory of the seasons and the sure and bountiful harvests,

We thank Thee, our Father.

For our homes and our friends, for the humble, the faithful, and the loving people of the world,

We thank Thee, our Father.

For the gifts to every child of earth, for the privilege of sharing what we receive and helping others to obtain their share of Thy bounty,

We thank Thee, our Father.

For all the gladness of life and for the heart's assurance of life eternal in Thee, we bless Thee and thank Thee, O God of our joy. Amen.

Let Us Also Pray For

JOURNEYING mercies for our missionaries who are returning to their fields—Miss Douglas and Miss Ramsay to Formosa, Miss MacLean to Japan, Miss Williamson and Miss Simpson to India; and for our new missionaries—Miss Davies to British Guiana and Miss Heighton to Formosa.

YOUNG WOMEN

A PLACE FOR ME

''Take me, O God, in Thy great harvest field,
Which stretcheth far and wide, like a wide sea;
The gatherers are few, I fear the precious yield
Will suffer loss, Oh find a place for me!
A place where best the strength I have will tell;
It may be one the other toilers shun;
Be it a wide or narrow place, 'tis well,
So that the work it holds be only done.''

—Christina Rosetti.

PLANS THAT WORK

PLANS that work—how we do need them as we start another season of missionary activities. ''What do we mean by plans that work?'' The answer to this question brings us face to face with the motto of the W.M.S., ''The World for Christ.'' Any plan then that leads us to this end is truly a ''plan that works''.

To keep in mind the motto of our Society gives new meaning to even the details of our work. If one realizes that by becoming a member, by faithfulness in attendance at meetings, by giving an offering, and by wholehearted participation in the activities of the Auxiliary, one is helping to make Christ known and loved by people in all lands, surely these become privileges instead of duties. Let us keep before us our motto, as we do our work this year.

A MISSIONARY WOMAN'S COMMANDMENTS

Thou shalt remember the Missionary meeting day, to keep it free, and not absent thyself without good cause.

Thou shalt on the first day of the week lay by in store as God hath prospered thee, that there be no scrambling at the end of the year for something to give.

Thou shalt learn the joy of doing things well, and to that end be willing to serve on committees.

Thou shalt give of thy talents, literary, musical or artistic, for the benefit of the society, knowing that she who giveth is more blessed than she who receiveth.

Thou shalt subscribe for and read the *Glad Tidings,* that thou mayest know of thy Mission work.

Thou shalt study our Missionary literature, that thou mayest have a deep and broad intelligence.

Thou shalt be ever ready to give of thy time and strength in work for the cause of missions.

Thou shalt be watchful to engage the young women of thy church in Missionary service, and lead them to join thy Society.

Above all, thou shalt pray daily and believingly that God Himself will do those things that are beyond our power, and will guide and bless our efforts in His service.

STUDY CHARTS

Any correspondence about study charts or study material prepared for this department, should be addressed to Mrs. John D. Holman, 60 Walmsley Blvd., Toronto, Ontario.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

Dear Leaders and Girls:

THIS being the month of Thanksgiving our hearts turn with love and gratitude to the Giver of all good gifts. Here is a prayer of Thanksgiving which I think we could use this month.

Creator of life and light,
We bless Thee this day for the beauty of Thy world,
We thank Thee for physical joy,
For ecstasy of swift motion,
For deep waters to swim in,
For goodly smell of rain and dry ground,
For hills to climb and hard work to do,
For all skill of hand and eye,
For music that lifts our hearts in one breath to heaven,
For the hand-grasp of a friend,
For the gracious loveliness of children.
We thank Thee above all for spiritual beauty and joy,
For home love, mother love, for child love,
For all these Thy sacraments of beauty and joy
We thank Thee our Lord and God.

—Selected

We are sorry to hear of Miss Hill's prolonged illness and we trust and pray that she will soon be restored to health.

—Jean Kelman.

FOR BUSY HANDS AND FLYING NEEDLES

The Supply Contest

Last spring I found a group who had kept their fingers busy making gifts for the boys and girls in our Residences. At Christmas time, every child in the New Liskeard Residence was the proud possessor of a ''Peter Rabbit'' toothbrush holder—the gift of that group. I began then to think of the many lovely things a girl's fingers can make, and the joy that busy hands can bring to sick folk in our W.M.S. hospitals, to families on our mission fields, and to the children in our Residences—and so our new contest, the Supply Contest, began.

Here are the rules:

1. Each entry shall consist of ten different articles, the work of the various members of the group.

2. Each collection of articles will be judged for the neatness of the work, its usefulness in hospitals, deaconess work, etc., originality in patterns, and ingenuity in the use of inexpensive material.

3. The contest falls in two divisions—Intermediate (12-14 years), and Senior (15-18 years). One prize will be awarded in each division.

4. Each collection must be marked with the name of the group, the leader, church, and town or city, and sent to the Girls' Work Secretary, Room 700, 372 Bay Street, Toronto, before April 15th, 1936. Each entry should be marked "Intermediate" or "Senior".

Nearly every girl and every leader can knit or sew—so get your needles out and your bright ideas, and enter our Contest. This is a sample list that may help you choose—one group might send the following:

1 baby quilt
1 pair bootees
1 scrap-book
1 gingham dog
1 pair mittens
1 tray cloth
1 hot water bottle cover
1 warm sweater
1 pair socks
1 flannel dress (for baby)

There are many other things you might make—and your leader and the Supply Secretary will be glad to make suggestions.

Good luck to you all! —O.M.H.

MISSION BANDS

MISS ETHEL McCUTCHEON, of Saskatoon, has written a series of short stories for Mission Banders. These will be published month by month in the *Glad Tidings*. The stories tell about the adventures of John and Mary when they visited our mission fields. Our Department is very grateful to Miss McCutcheon for giving us these charming tales.

—B. K. Riddell.

JOHN AND MARY VISIT KICHI IN CHERRY BLOSSOM LAND

JOHN and Mary were walking down a street in Kobe, Japan. Their father and mother were behind them. Little Kichi, to the children's surprise, suddenly slid back the paper wall of his house and stepped out on the street. He had straight black hair and little, sharp, black eyes. He wore a long brown skirt and a jacket that had wide folded sleeves. It hung to his knees and had a belt that tied around his waist. In the belt was tucked a paint-brush. As he ran down the street to meet a cart pushed by a small wrinkled man, he reached down into the bottom of a sleeve and pulled out a coin. For this the cart-man cut the figure of a fish from some rice paste and put it to cook in the oven of a little stove in the middle of the cart. Just then their parents came up with their Japanese guide who was showing them around Kobe. They all watched together until Kichi took the little fish-cake out of the oven and ran into the house, sliding back the wall into its place.

''I wonder what he was doing with the paint-brush,'' John said.

The guide then told them that it was with a brush Japanese girls and boys do their writing.

Mary said, ''While his wall was open I looked inside, and would you believe there was no furniture? There were only some low, flat tables, some cushions on the floor, and over in the corner an odd-shaped block of wood.''

''That,'' said the guide, ''is Kichi's pillow. In the day-time the grown-ups sit on the cushions and the children on the floor while they drink clear tea from pretty small cups. Small plates with little rice cakes are placed on the low tables.''

Mary replied that she would love the little cups and pretty cushions, but just knew she would rather have her own soft pillow.

They had not gone far up the street, when they heard a fast click, click, click behind them. Kichi had come out again with his kite. Mary saw that the clicking was caused by the two little wooden heels on each shoe, one at the toe and one at the heel. The soles were wooden also, and the shoes were kept on by straps of leather. While Mary was looking at the shoes, John was looking at the lovely kite Kichi was getting ready to fly. John asked the guide if he thought Kichi would mind if he looked at it more closely to see how it was made, so the guide spoke to Kichi in Japanese, and then told John that Kichi had said that the honorable strange boy was very welcome by his humble self to see his kite. Mary told John he might learn to be polite from Kichi. Kichi reached again into a fold of a sleeve and brought out some string to fly the kite, but just then it began to rain, and into his house clicked Kichi. In a few minutes he was out again, and the clicking was louder now for he had put on his rain shoes and they had higher heels so that his feet were kept up out of the water. Mary and John wondered how he could run so fast in them.

Now their father and mother told the guide that since it was beginning to rain they would go back to the Presbyterian Mission. So the guide clapped his hands and up ran a man pulling a two-wheeled cart, called a jinricksha. Mrs. Smith and Mary got in, leaving Mr. Smith and John to walk.

(To be continued)

PROVINCIAL NEWS

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Death of Mrs. A. T. Kinnaird

IT is with deepest regret we chronicle the death of Mrs. A. T. Kinnaird, Edmonton, which occurred on July 28th.

In the passing of Mrs. Kinnaird, the W.M.S. of Alberta has suffered a severe loss, and First Church, Edmonton, where her talents were so freely given, will feel the loss most keenly. In that Church, she acted as pianist for the radio broadcasts and was convener of the flower guild as well as being Vice-President of the Edmonton Presbyterial. During the three years she acted as President of the Presbyterial, the Executive was built up to a high standard of efficiency. For many years Mrs. Kinnaird was also a member of the Provincial Board, acting in the capacity of Mission Band Secretary, as well as being on the Advisory Committee, and a Vice-President at the time of her death.

Mrs. Kinnaird will long be remembered for her sterling qualities, her executive ability, her Christian fortitude, and her willingness to give of her musical talent which endeared her to all.

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WESTMINSTER P.S.—Miss Pelton gave a résumé of her work in this Presbyterial at an executive meeting. One visible result of her visit is the organization of eight new Young Women's Auxiliaries. The invisible results, in the hearts and minds of all who have listened to her inspiring addresses and have felt the influence of her personality, are harder to tabulate, but will remain with us nevertheless.

Kamloops-Okanagan P.S.—Armstrong Auxiliary mourns the loss of one of its younger members, in the person of Mrs. Russell Coulter, who passed away early in August. Her loss is keenly felt by all the members of the Auxiliary.

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WINNIPEG P.S.—Stonewall Auxiliary held an open meeting on July 4th, at the home of Miss H. McMillan, in order to stimulate more interest in the W.M.S. and its work. Mrs. Flook, Provincial President, and Mrs. McDonald, Home Helpers Secretary, were the guest speakers.

Mrs. Flook gave an interesting account of the recent Enlarged Council Executive meeting, covering various branches of our work in that way. She also brought an autograph quilt, made by the Indian women of the Rolling River Reserve, to show the members. Mrs. McDonald spoke of the Home Helpers and their work. Everyone present realized a little more fully the help ''the Helpers'' can be to an Auxiliary.

ONTARIO

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WILL Secretaries please report Thank-offering meetings promptly. With the co-operation of Auxiliaries we hope to make our page more up-to-date.

At a joint meeting of Richmond Hill and Thornhill Auxiliaries, Toronto P.S., Mrs. J. D. Cunningham was honored with a Life Membership, the gift of Thornhill Auxiliary. Mrs. George Cooper and Mrs. A. R. Hall made the presentation.

The Young Women's department of Toronto P.S. tendered a garden party on the lawns of the Deaconess Training Home, to members of Toronto Presbyterial, Ontario Provincial, the enlarged Council Executive, our missionaries and friends.

A lovely ''Jubilee Tea'' took place on the manse lawn, Waterdown, Hamilton P.S., under the care of the ''Ross'' Young Women's Auxiliary. The three-tiered cake with its 60 blue candles and inscription ''Diamond Jubilee of the Presbyterian Church in Canada 1875-1935'' was the gift of Miss Mabel Baker. It was cut by Mrs. C. H. Hammond, who with Mrs. J. O. McGregor poured tea at the tea hour. Mrs. W. I. McLean and Mrs. J. Taylor, Hamilton, were speakers.

Sectional meetings in Hamilton P.S. have been most encouraging. Credit is due the district Presidents for carefully arranged programmes. Miss M. Ramsay gave interesting and educational talks on Formosa. Mrs. J. A. Hilts, Toronto, Mrs. W. I. McLean and Mrs. H. C. McKellar, Hamilton, also addressed several meetings. Niagara Falls and Chippewa Mission Band reports were well presented by little girls. Allocations were stressed by the Finance Secretary. The *Glad Tidings* subscription drive—Miss Fraser's memorial—resulted in many new subscriptions to date. Supplies were displayed and a literature table was at each meeting.

A novel presentation of the work was given by the Orillia Auxiliary, Barrie P.S., when members presented a mock Presbyterial meeting, giving reports of the Provincial and Presbyterial annual meetings. Refreshments were served by Mission Band teachers. At the tenth celebration of Meaford Auxiliary, Mrs. George Paterson was presented with an address and tangible token of appreciation. About fifty members and Home Helpers from Collingwood Auxiliary enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. R. Malcolm, at their country home, ''Jura''. The ladies of Thornbury-Clarksburg Auxiliary gave a lawn social in aid of their expense fund, at the home of Mrs. R. A. Walker, Thornbury. Mrs. Fletcher, Toronto, addressed the Auxiliary of Oro-Essen, mentioning the fact that the late Mrs. J. H. Tudhope had served the Auxiliary as Secretary for 37 years.

The twenty-first celebration of Ottawa P.S. took the form of a ''Covenanters Conventicle'' held on the grounds of the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, and methinks it was with mingled feeling the early convenanters looked down on the beauty and comfort enjoyed by the participants of this service. Mrs. J. R. Hill presided. Rev. J. Logan-Vencta constituted the assemblage. Rev. Robert Good, B.L., made an excellent precentor. As did those early worshippers, they stood to pray and sat to praise. At one p.m. a lovely luncheon was served in a large marquee. Addresses were given by Mrs. C. H. Thorburn, O.B.E., and Mrs. J. R. Hill, on ''The Birth of the Provincial Society'' and ''The Birth of Ottawa Presbyterial'' respectively. The 23rd Psalm, to the covenanter's tune, was sung by Mrs. J. Logan-Vencta. The whole affair was one of the happiest in the history of the Presbyterial. Many ministers were present, those assisting were Rev. Robert Johnston, D.D., Rev. W. H. Leatham, D.D., Rev. W. Patterson, B.A., Rev. J. M. Kelloch, M.A., B.D., Rev. J. G. Berry, M.A., B.D. Mrs. Owen Tuller expressed the thanks of the Presbyterial to Dr. Archibald for his kind hospitality.

Motherwell-Avonbank Auxiliary, Stratford P.S., celebrated their tenth anniversary, with Mrs. A. E. Wright telling of the work and conditions in the Peace River country. A number of seals were presented to Junior Members. An interesting story of the struggle of this minority group was told by one of the members. Neighboring Auxiliaries were guests. A table laden with good things was centred with a cake bearing ten candles.

The summer meeting of Kingston P.S. was held in Deseronto, Mrs. Hunter presiding. Mrs. C. E. Bateman, Belleville, gave a comprehensive report of the Provincial meeting. Interesting departmental reports were heard. The Mission Band of Stirling carried off the coveted banner this year. Increased subscriptions to *Glad Tidings* were urged. Mrs. J. A. Koffend, Stirling, gave an address on evangelistic work in Manchuria.

The semi-annual meeting of Lindsay P.S. was held in Beaverton, Miss Gould presiding. Much encouragement was felt over the interest evinced by the Young Women's organizations and Mission Bands. Helpful conferences were held. Rev. A. E. and Mrs. Toombs, on furlough from India, gave interesting talks on the work there. The Misses

Toombs delighted the gathering by singing in Bhili, ''Jesus Loves Me''. Rev. G. M. Jameson represented the Presbytery.

Mainsville, Brockville P.S., was the setting for a fine sectional meeting, Mrs. J. S. Riddell presiding. Many delegates were present. A helpful paper on Home Helpers work was read by Mrs. Johnston, Winchester. Mrs. W. D. Turner, new Presbyterial President, displayed a large chart showing points where work is carried on under our Church at home and overseas.

St. Andrew's Auxiliary, Chesterville, were entertained at the home of Mrs. J. G. Munro. Interesting items and selections comprised the programme. The Supply Secretary reported splendid work for the bale.

Good sectional meetings were held in Cornwall, Williamsburg, Maxville and Vankleek Hill, Glengarry P.S. Miss P. B. Lamont was the speaker, suggesting ways and means of increasing membership and interest. She gave helpful information in answer to difficulties encountered by various Auxiliaries.

We congratulate Paris P.S. on their Golden Jubilee celebration, a detailed account of which appeared in the *Record.*

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THAT part of the Province of Quebec lying between the River St. Lawrence and New York State, known locally as the frontier district, was busy making history during the late summer. No less than three Auxiliaries held special anniversary services, the account of which we would fain share with the readers of the *Glad Tidings* did space permit. As it does not, a few highlights must suffice.

On August 16th, the Athelstan Auxiliary celebrated its fiftieth anniversary, when three daughters of the founder, Mrs. Andrew Rowat, took part in the interesting programme. Miss Ina Rowat read a paper prepared by her mother for the semi-jubilee gathering, twenty-five years ago. Miss Margaret Rowat lighted one of the five candles on the birthday cake, in memory of her mother, while Mrs. W. G. Brown lighted another ''with thanksgiving and praise for God's guidance during the fifty years that have passed.'' The other three candles were lighted by Mrs. W. G. Gibson, a Vice-President of Montreal Presbyterial, ''in honor of the present membership of active members who have caught the torch from fallen hands with the prayer that we may prove true to our trust;'' Mrs. Henry Wilson, a former President, ''with grateful hearts for all missionaries of the cross, both at home and abroad for the service they have rendered in striving to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ''; Mrs. L. D. Watson, Superintendent of the Mission Band, ''with hope and in honor of the young women and girls who are training for leadership, and to the boys and girls of the Mission Bands''. Mrs. Smaill of Elgin gave the Bible reading she had prepared for the twenty-fifth anniversary and greetings were brought by representatives of sister Auxiliaries.

Riverfield and Howick Auxiliary celebrated its sixtieth anniversary in Riverfield Church on August 20th, Mrs. S. Reddick, President, presiding. Mrs. Jas. Cullen, Howick, gave the Bible reading, Rev. K. House led in prayer and welcomed the guests. Greetings were brought from Georgetown Auxiliary by their President, Mrs. Jas. Kerr; from Provincial Board by Mrs. Bell, Montreal; and from Montreal Presbyterial by Mrs. Baker. A very interesting historical sketch was prepared and given by Mrs. W. W. Orr, Riverfield. This was followed by a few words from a past President, Mrs. Jas. McKell. Mrs. Pae, of Montreal Presbyterial, was present as special speaker and based her remarks from the verse, ''Thou shalt remember all the way Thy God hath led you.'' Before singing the last hymn Mrs. Baker was asked to light the candles on the birthday cake. A social hour was enjoyed by all, following the supper served in the church hall at the close of the meeting.

The sixtieth anniversary of the Howick and Georgetown Auxiliary was celebrated at Georgetown Church on August 31st, with a service in the afternoon conducted by the ladies and a devotional period at night led by Rev. T. J. Watson. Men prominent in Presbyterian Church work throughout Canada, and women outstanding in the missionary endeavors of the Church were present. Large crowds attended both services.

Mrs. J. Kerr presided at the afternoon service. Mrs. Reddick, Riverfield, brought greetings and good wishes from the ladies of Riverfield. Mrs. Dougherty, an active member and ex-President of the Presbyterial, in the absence of Miss Cameron, President of Quebec Provincial, and Mrs. Baker, President of Montreal Presbyterial, brought greetings from the organizations they represent. Mrs. D. T. L. McKerroll, Vice-President of the Council Executive, brought a cheering message to the gathering, congratulating the Georgetown women on their achievement and urging them to continue the great work so gloriously started by keeping their Society, the oldest one in the western division, the active and progressive body it has always been. She reminded her listeners that long before good transportation facilities, and at a time when severe trials faced the early organizers, they carried on their task and have handed to the present generation a duty which must not be shirked —a duty which is one of the most important functions of the Church. ''The Women's Missionary Society,'' she said, ''creates a feeling of nationalism and gives an educational and broader viewpoint.''

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July-August, 1935

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St. Andrew's Sunday School, Huntingdon, Que., ‘‘South Porcupine Hospital’’	2.50
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Interest	25.38	
Sustaining Fund—		
Sale of McCrea property, Vegreville, Alta.	56.85	
Interest	215.60	
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Interest	25.01	
Formosa Forward Movement Fund—		
Interest	71.00	
Special Fund—		
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Prayer For Peace

Low in the sleeping nations, murmurings rise and fall.
Banners of war are stirring, faintly the trumpets call.
Father of Peace, before us, shadows lie dark to-day,
Set for our erring footsteps, pathways of peace, we pray.

Save us from lust for power: guard us from fear that blinds.
Grant us in times of tumult, faith and contented minds.
Let not the drums of danger beat on affrighted ears.
Give to Thy contrite people, peaceful and fruitful years.

Was it a wind that murmured? Was it a voice that rung
Out of the years forgotten, " Hear us—for we were young,
Out of our high ambitions, out of our golden years,
Ramparts of peace we builded, founded on blood and tears.

"Father, let not our anguish utterly count for naught."
'Stablish again, we pray Thee, peace they so dearly bought.
Teach us to know our fellows, neighbours of every race,
That we may seek together, guidance before Thy face.

Banish our old suspicions, that we may dwell as one,
We who are blood relations—kin through our Father's Son.
So, from each land and nation, joyfully, hearts at ease
May in their adoration, worship the God of Peace.

—C. M. MacLellan, in "Life and Work".

Editorial

Messages from Three Missionaries

AT a recent meeting, the Council Executive welcomed three missionaries who were introduced by Mrs. Martin, Secretary for Formosa, as three who represented the finest type of young womanhood—Miss Dorothy Douglas and Miss Margaret Ramsay, both of whom are returning to Formosa after their first furlough in Canada, and Miss Mildred Weir, who was designated for work at the Mackay Memorial Hospital in Taihoku at a service in St. Andrew's Church, Scarboro, on October 9th.

After expressing her appreciation of what the Council Executive had done for her this year, Miss Douglas spoke of her anxiety as to the future of the work in Formosa, because of the rise of nationalism in Japan. Government inspectors have complained that the Christian schools are not faithful in inculcating the Nationalist spirit, which would turn Chinese pupils into good Japanese. The government, too, has demanded that no teacher be engaged or dismissed without its approval, thus making the securing of good, Christian teachers very difficult. It has, moreover, ordered that the Japanese language be used in all work, and as the teachers are new and have learned Chinese, they have had no opportunity of learning Japanese, especially the archaic form of that language into which the Bible has been translated. Then there is the vexed question of the shrines. An order was issued that all must go to do homage at the shrine or the schools would be closed, and, as the National Christian Council decreed that going to bow at the shrine was only an act of allegiance to the Emperor and not one of worship, it is thought better to go, in view of the great influence of the schools, even if the action is misunderstood by some people in Formosa, as the word for going to the shrine is the same as that for worship.

Miss Ramsay thanked the Board for her ''wonderful'' furlough, and for the experience gained in meeting Auxiliaries. So far, she had met with no opposition in doing evangelistic work among women and children in country districts in Formosa. Miss Weir was grateful for the opportunity which had been given her by the Society of taking a two-month course in anæsthesia at Hartford Hospital. She spoke briefly of some of the benefits she had received there to help her in her future work.

The three missionaries go forth with the assurance that the Society wishes them abundant and increasing success and blessing in their work.

New Secretaries

WITH Mrs. McLennan's election as President of the Women's Missionary Society (W.D.) of the Presbyterian Church in Canada it became necessary for the Council Executive to appoint a new Welcome, Welfare and Deaconess Secretary. On account of the increasing volume of work in this department, it was decided to divide it between two Secretaries—one to have charge of the Welcome and Welfare department, as well as hospital visitors, port workers, and those whose work lies exclusively among new Canadians, the other to have charge of the deaconesses at large. Mrs. A. E. Stevens was appointed Secretary for the first branch of the work, and Mrs. W. H. Mitchell Secretary for the second. Mrs. W. W. Carter has been appointed Library Secretary in the place of Miss C. G. Kerr, whose resignation has been reported. All these women have had experience in the work of the Society which should fit them to fill these important offices sympathetically.

Miss Margaret Keith, Toronto, formerly of Guelph, Ontario, has been made a member of the Council Executive.

An Honoured Worker

ALL members of the Women's Missionary Society, especially those who have been in touch with the work among the Chinese in Canada, feel that they have suffered a great loss in the sudden death, on October 2nd, of a devoted voluntary worker in Chinese missions in Toronto—Mrs. C. E. Gilbert, 42 Pinewood Ave., Toronto. At the funeral service on October 5th, which was conducted by Rev. J. G. Inkster, D.D., of Knox Church, the Chinese people were represented by Rev. Mr. Mah, Mr. George Mark, Miss Armstrong, and many of the Chinese ladies, while Mrs. J. C. Wood represented the Council Executive. The sincere sympathy of the Society goes out to Mr. Gilbert, Mrs. Gilbert's brother and her aged mother.

General Evangeline Booth

ON the occasion of her recent visit to Toronto to preside at the fifty-third Salvation Army Congress of Canada, leaders of Church and State united with many thousands of people of all ranks and conditions of life to do honour to General Evangeline Booth, and, through her, to the Salvation Army, whose leader she is. To her immense audiences she brought word of the great work being accomplished by that world-wide Christian organization—the same work, but on a much vaster scale, that her father, William Booth, the founder of the Salvation Army, had begun in a very humble way to help the poor, the outcast, and the drunkard, to a new life in God. From this small beginning in London the movement has spread until the Army carries on its work among the poor, too often untouched by the Churches, in nearly ninety countries. It was not without reason that General Booth called the story of the growth of the Salvation Army the ''World's Greatest Romance''.

Congratulations!

ON the occasion of the celebration, in Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa, during the first week of October, of the Jubilee of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Church of England, Mrs. John Adams, of Ottawa, conveyed the congratulations of the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada to the sister organization on the completion of fifty years' service, and good wishes for continued success in the work undertaken under the inspiration of their motto: ''The love of Christ constraineth us''.

A Dedication Service

REV. Frank and Mrs. Kovacs, of the Hungarian Presbyterian Church in Hamilton, Ontario, were visitors at a meeting of the Council Executive early in October. Assuring the Board of the loyalty of the Hungarian Christians, Mr. Kovacs invited the members to give further evidence of the sympathy they had always shown in the Hungarian work by attending a service, on October 20th, for the dedication of two flags which had recently been given to their Church—a British flag presented by the Canadian Club in Hamilton and a Hungarian one sent to them from Hungary. Mrs. Kovacs spoke briefly of the work of the Daily Bible School carried on during the summer, and of the school being held on Saturdays for children who could not attend at other times. The President thanked Mr. and Mrs. Kovacs, and expressed the appreciation of the Council Executive of the work they were doing in Hamilton.

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The following item of news from Hamilton which appeared in a Toronto newspaper of October 8th, will be of interest.

''Mrs. Kovacs, wife of Rev. Frank Kovacs, minister of the Hungarian Presbyterian Church here, was surprised to hear her own name on a trans-Atlantic broadcast from Budapest. Two of her poems were broadcast in connection with the anniversary of the collapse of the Hungarian War for Freedom in 1849.''

Returning to Work

ON October 5th, Rev. D. E. McDonald and Mrs. McDonald, missionaries of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, sailed by the *Empress of Japan,* to return to their work in Jobat, India. As passage through the Suez Canal might at any time become impossible, Mr. and Mrs. McDonald had to travel by Vancouver and the Pacific. May they have a safe journey followed by success in the work to which they have given themselves, re-assured by the knowledge that the children they have left in Canada are not being forgotten by friends at home.

Miss Chisholm

MISS ETHEL M. CHISHOLM, Registered Nurse, Superintendent of the Mackay Memorial Hospital, Taihoku, Formosa, at present on furlough at her home at Moose River, Nova Scotia, has been bereaved by the sudden death of her sister, Barbara. At the present time her mother also is very seriously ill. The sympathy of her friends both in Canada and overseas is extended to Miss Chisholm in this great sorrow.

Dr. and Mrs. Cropper Return to British Guiana

IN the first week of October Dr. and Mrs. Cropper left Toronto to return to British Guiana. Before leaving, Dr. Cropper bade farewell to the Council Executive. He spoke of the valuable work of both primary and secondary schools in British Guiana, where all schools are under the Churches, although they receive grants from the government. He appealed, too, for a well-educated woman of the finest type to carry on evangelistic work. The President, on behalf of the Board, wished Dr. and Mrs. Cropper a safe journey and success in their work.

Dr. Jessie MacBean

THE many friends of Dr. Jessie MacBean, the Society's veteran missionary to China, who, on account of serious illness, was sent home by her medical advisers, will be glad to know that she is progressing after the operation she underwent on August 12th. The prayers of the members are asked for her restoration to health.

As Dr. MacBean has not been able to reply to many of the letters which she has received from her friends and from W.M.S. Auxiliaries, she would like, through the *Glad Tidings,* to acknowledge them and to express her appreciation of the kindness of those who have written to her.

"Glad Tidings"

WHAT has been done, or is being done, to give effect to the decision of the Enlarged Council Executive, as reported in the September issue, that a special effort be made to increase the *Glad Tidings* subscriptions to 25,000 as a memorial to the work of Miss Fraser? It is assumed that every Auxiliary has had, or is having this month, its "*Glad Tidings* Day". What steps are being taken to maintain the increased interest thus aroused in the magazine?

All members of the Women's Missionary Society have a definite share in the work they help to support, and would, therefore, desire to receive each month news of what is being done in *their* work. Moreover, every woman in the Church should have sufficient interest in life in all parts of Canada as well as in other countries, to wish to share in this work and receive regular reports of it.

This is the month for renewing subscriptions and getting new ones, for while subscriptions may be opened at any time of the year, every one would like to begin with the January issue. If the magazine can be worthy of its name, and, in very truth, bring *glad tidings* of the part the Women's Missionary Society is taking in the work of the Church, both at home and abroad, not only will all present subscribers wish to continue it, but many new ones will be eager to have it. It was, perhaps, inevitable, during the past few years of economic depression, that there should have been a decrease in the number of subscriptions. Now, however, when the tide is turning, every effort should be made to reach the objective set by Miss Fraser.

WANTED

A University graduate, with training and experience in teaching and with an interest in mission work, for the school in the Presbyterian Mission, Jhansi, India.

Applications to be sent to the Candidates' Secretary, Women's Missionary Society (W.D.) of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, Mrs. D. Inglis Grant, 1 Clarendon Crescent, Toronto, Ontario.

Bales For Our Mission Fields

THE railways have decided to reinstate the arrangement which was cancelled on June 30th last, providing for the free transportation of shipments of donated second-hand clothing and books for distribution for relief purposes, from Eastern to Western Canada, when shipped by and consigned to recognized Church organizations.

It will be necessary to make application to the railway agent before shipment is presented, in order that he may obtain authority from his Division freight agent to handle the shipment free of freight charges. It is most important that Presbyterial Supply Secretaries, who pack and ship the bales, observe closely the requirements noted above.

Each year our Synodical Missionaries provide the Council Supply Secretary with the names and addresses of those in charge of mission fields in Canada, who will receive the bales and distribute the contents. These addresses have been forwarded through Provincial Supply Secretaries to Presbyterial Supply Secretaries and bales should not be shipped to other addresses. Any appeals for supplies to be sent to other addresses should be referred to the Council Supply Secretary. This will avoid overlapping and ensure an equitable distribution of the supplies.

Bales will be shipped direct to mission fields in Saskatchewan, not to Mrs. H. R. Horne, there being no distribution from Regina this year.

As a Women's Missionary Society, we appreciate the generosity of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways in again granting free transportation of these shipments.

—*(Mrs. W. H.) Violet M. Fletcher.*

The Bow in the Cloud

THERE is always a bow in the cloud. Sometimes it is not easy to see. The outlines are very faint. Sometimes we can only believe that it is there, and wait with patience for its appearing.

This is, perhaps, the most we can do with the cloud which at the moment overhangs Europe . . . God's Will still stands, though it is not His Will that nations should take these tragic roads and bring on themselves and others the baptism of blood and tears. The rope with which God holds mankind is long. But the more we stretch it, the more power it has to check our self-will. Do not let us forget that He rules. Behind the most rebellious flood of human passion He is in command of the situation.

We have still more to learn of the true foundations of peace. It is the creation of a real fellowship that is based on justice, and that seeks the common good. It is this need for justice in the international sphere that we have not so clearly seen. It must mean the willingness on the part of all nations to reshape the map in accordance with what is right, not only in Europe, but in Africa and elsewhere. It may be this is the first hint of the bow in the cloud. But, whatever happens, let us keep hold of our faith in God's purpose. The building which is of His Spirit is fireproof. That is the covenant He has made with those who believe in Him and take His way.

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There is always a bow in the cloud. Let us be sure of that. God's love is like the daylight. It is all about us. But, like the daylight, we may not realize its glory till the cloud enables it to break into its radiant colours. Whatever the cloud that hangs over our life, if we will look and pray our eyes will be opened. We shall see

God's mercy still in everything
And shining through all mysteries.

It may be the cloud has come that we might see the rainbow.

—Rev. James Reid, D.D., in the *British Weekly.*

Memorial Service

ON the evening of September 18th, a large congregation gathered in St. Andrew's Church, King Street, Toronto, to do honour to the memory of Dr. Andrew S. Grant, late Secretary of the General Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. The service was held under the auspices of the Toronto Presbytery, with Rev. D. T. L. McKerroll, D.D., Moderator of the General Assembly, in charge. Others taking part were Rev. A. R. Skinner, Moderator of the Toronto Presbytery, Rev. J. B. Paulin, D.D., Rev. W. M. Rochester, D.D., and Rev. Stuart Parker, D.D., minister of St. Andrew's. The executive of the General Board of Missions, then in session, adjourned its meeting for that evening so that the members might attend the service.

Rev. A. J. MacGillivray, D.D., ex-Moderator of the General Assembly, who had known Dr. Grant before he went to the Klondyke, and had later spent some time with him in Dawson City, paid high tribute to his work there. It was the fine humanitarian work in which he was engaged that had most impressed Dr. MacGillivray, who had many incidents to relate of men who, in the Good Samaritan Hospital and elsewhere, had been restored to health of body and spirit by the unsparing efforts and generosity of Dr. Grant. Later, as Convener and General Superintendent of the Board of Missions, he had ''carried the fiery cross'' throughout the Church, seeming in Church courts and mass meetings especially, to ''catch the vision splendid'', everywhere giving the impression of ''a manly man with a message worth listening to.''

On behalf of the Board of Missions, Rev. James Wilson, D.D., the acting Convener, expressed their feeling of loss in the death of Dr. Grant, and their appreciation of the great work he had done as Secretary during the past ten years. There would never be another Dr. Andrew S. Grant, but it remained, he said, for those who were left to re-dedicate their lives and determine to emulate all that was good and worthy in his life and service. In conclusion, Dr. Wilson appealed for the prayers of the Church that God would raise up some one to fill this important office in the service of the Church.

THE goal of evangelism is the production of Christ-like character and life in individuals and in society; through moral and spiritual conversion; by faith in and fellowship with God through Jesus Christ, His Son, our Lord and Saviour; through sharing of a brotherhood life transcending all distinctions in the new divine society, the Kingdom of God on earth; and through becoming witnesses, in word and life by the power of the Holy Spirit, of this new life to others.—Dr. E. Stanley Jones.

Hackett Medical College

Material for the following article has been largely found in official reports, reports of the Society, and "Dr. Jessie MacBean and Hackett Medical College". To the latter book by Mrs. Ballantyne special attention is called, as it contains a much more detailed account of the work than can be given in any article.

IN this first week of November, 1935, the Chinese Medical Association is commemorating, at its meeting in the new Canton Hospital building, the centenary of the introduction of modern medicine into China. Since 1905, when Dr. Jessie MacBean was appointed to work in Macao, the women of the Presbyterian Church in Canada have been directly interested in medical work in South China, and especially in the Hackett Medical College since Dr. MacBean became a member of its staff in 1925.

Founding and Growth

The story of the founding of what is now the Hackett Medical College, in affiliation with the Canton Hospital, is one of pioneer effort on the part of one woman who, with no buildings and no money, but with a keen sense of the urgent need and a vision of how that need might be met, had faith and determination strong enough to make the vision a reality.

In 1899, there was but one medical centre in the great city of Canton, a small medical college for men and women in connection with the Canton Hospital. In that year its head, Dr. Kerr, left, to found the John G. Kerr Hospital for the Insane, and with him went the men students. Thus, a few women were left without a school at which to complete their medical training.

Dr. Mary H. Fulton, of the American Presbyterian Mission staff of the Canton Hospital, determined, however, that these women, and others who might wish to do so, should be given the opportunity to study modern medicine. With the assistance of two Chinese women doctors, she, therefore, opened classes for five students. Compelled by the Boxer Rebellion to leave Canton in 1900, the little school continued work at Macao. On its return to Canton, it found a home in the western suburb of the city, a residential section for both rich and poor. The school, with class-rooms and living accommodation on the ground floor of the First Presbyterian Church, of which Dr. Fulton's brother was pastor, was at first known as the Kwangtung Medical College for Women. In 1901, a three-storey brick building was erected for the little college and the new David Gregg Hospital, so named in honour of the pastor of the Brooklyn church that had given half the necessary money. The next year a dye-house beside their building was purchased, thus ridding them of a disagreeable neighbour and, at the same time, giving them more space. In 1903 and 1905, with money given by Mr. E. A. K. Hackett, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, the first medical college buildings were erected, and the college was re-named the Hackett Medical College for Women. About the same time, Mrs. Charles Turner gave money to buy the land south of the school, and on that site the Turner School for Nursing was opened in 1904. Later, new buildings were found necessary and erected, although the need has always been greater than the supply. Special mention should, perhaps, be made of the modern, well-equipped dormitory, fittingly called the Mary Fulton Hall, which, in 1923, supplied the need of adequate and attractive quarters for the students. In 1917, Dr. Hofmann reported, the staff had set for itself as an ideal a school of forty students, but that goal has long since been passed. Last year an important change was made when Hackett admitted men students to its courses.

Mary Fulton Hall and Dormitory Building,
Hackett Medical College, Canton.

Thus, through the years, with many changes to meet the requirements of larger numbers, better equipment, and higher academic standards, in spite of great difficulties, but with great faith and much hard work, the Hackett Medical College has developed from a school with three teachers and five women students, with neither buildings nor money, into an important co-educational medical college, with the David Gregg Hospital and the Turner Training School for Nurses in affiliation with it, as well as a school for pharmacists and one for hospital technicians.

Dr. Mary Fulton, who had begun the work, carried it on successfully until 1915, when, at the request of the China Medical Missionary Association, she went to Shanghai to devote her whole time to the translation of medical books. She was succeeded, as president, by Dr. Martha Hackett, the daughter of the man whose gifts had made possible the first college buildings. When, after nine years, Dr. Hackett was forced, by ill-health, to retire in 1924, Dr. J. Allen Hofmann was elected president. He remained as the head of the college, the Superintendent of the Hospital, and treasurer, until his death in 1933. Since then Dr. Ross W. Wong has been made president.

Administration

Hackett Medical College, with the affiliated institutions, is the property of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America, the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada contributing to its support through their representative on the staff, Dr. MacBean. From its very beginning, although under Presbyterian control, it has been interdenominational, both as to staff and student body. From the first, too, it has been self-supporting, so far as current expenses are concerned, except for the salaries of the foreign members of the staff. All gifts from China or from abroad have been, or will be, invested in permanent equipment.

The Board of Directors in whom is vested the administration of the schools and the hospital are directly responsible to the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the United States of America. The immediate control, however, is delegated by the Board of Directors to a Committee of Control, whose members are elected by the Directors from the foreign and Chinese staff.

Training Provided

Hackett Medical College has now a seven-year course, consisting of the collegiate medical preparatory course which is given in the first two years, the four-year medical course, and, for each student, a final year as interne in the David Gregg Hospital or some other approved hospital. In a recent report, Dr. Karcher of the staff says: ''Hackett is the only institution at present, as in the past, supplying the mission hospitals of South China with medical internes. More requests for internes come to us than can ordinarily be granted.'' Hitherto instruction has been given in Chinese, its unique contribution being the opportunity it has given to worthy, non-English-speaking students to study modern medicine. If their number permitted, however, the staff would like to give, at least, enough English to enable graduates to read medical literature.

Clinics are held at the David Gregg Hospital in most branches of medicine and surgery, as well as in child welfare, and post- and prenatal care. With the thousands of in-patients, out-patients, and office patients treated annually in the hospital, the students have abundant material for their work; indeed, it is reported that all diseases common to tropical South China can usually be demonstrated at some time to each class.

Dr. MacBean

After fifteen years as Superintendent of the Marian Barclay Hospital in Kong Moon, in 1925 Dr. Jessie MacBean joined the staff of the Hackett Medical College, where she has been at the head of the department of Obstetrics. Dr. MacBean has also been very active in Public Health work. This year she reports that the Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics established ten and twelve years ago respectively, are doing a very important constructive work, in educating mothers and fathers, as well as medical and nursing students, and the public in general, to appreciate the benefits of preventive medicine as demonstrated in Pre- and Post-natal Clinics, Baby Clinics, and Child Welfare Clinics. Help has been given, too, in several Health and Educational exhibits. After a difficult year for both College and Hospital in 1934, with the resignation of four of the foreign staff, and a great reduction in patients and resources because of the many doctors and hospitals now in Canton, it is encouraging to hear of an improvement in the work of her department, as well as a marked increase in Public Health work.

Baby Health Clinic, Dr. MacBean in back row.

Religious Activities

Hackett Medical College is a Christian school, whose aim is to send out Christian doctors, its motto being ''To Save Life and Spread the True Light.'' Stress is, therefore, placed upon religious instruction. Daily chapel and Sunday morning Church services are attended by all students. In addition to voluntary vesper services and Bible classes on Sunday, the students' Young Women's Christian Association conducts a day school for poor children of the neighbourhood, a night course for servants, and a Sunday School for boat children, while groups of students visit the villages on Sunday afternoons.

Value of Work Done

Dr. J. Oscar Thomson, Superintendent of the Canton Hospital, who has been a member of the Hackett staff, writes in an article in the *Missionary Review of the World* of February, 1935: ''A Christian medical profession is being perpetuated and through the Chinese Medical Association medical missions have become an integral part of the medical system of China.'' Dr. Thomson, too, tells of a Chinese lady, the head of a large government school and of a hospital, who told a ''Medical Fact-Finder'' of the Laymen's Commission that the graduates of Hackett are abler, more dependable, and have a much finer spirit of service than those of government medical schools.

In view of the tremendous influence of students in that eastern land—an influence out of all proportion to their numbers or to their knowledge—one can, in some degree, realize the importance of Hackett Medical College, especially in this period of transition, when China is definitely breaking away from its ancient ideas, traditions and customs, and is seeking to adapt Eastern and Western ideas to its own need. With its students coming from all parts of the country, and its graduates going forth to the provinces, to Hong Kong, Macao, Singapore, Java, Great Britain, and the United States of America, the influence of the college must be great, not only in providing modern medical service in many parts of China, and in sending out Christian workers, but also in spreading knowledge of that country in other lands, thus helping to create a sympathetic understanding of China.

The Mission Hospital Speaks

I stand by the side of a river
    That carries its freight to the sea.
There's never a port of any sort
    But sends her sons to me.
To me from the ships on the river
    They come to be eased of their pain,
But when they at length regain their strength
    They're off to the ships again.

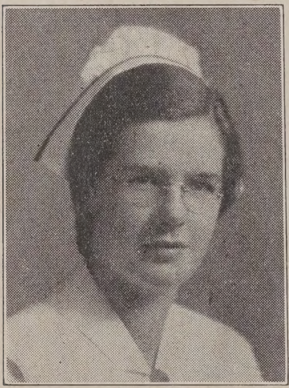
I stand by the side of a current
    That's deeper by far than the sea.
And storm-beaten craft of every draft
    Come in to be healed by me.
But some have more sin than fever,
    And some have more grief than pain.
God help me make whole both body and soul
    Before they go out again.

—Dr. Hyla S. Watters,
Wuhu General Hospital, China.

Talented Nurse Designated

IN St. Andrew's Church, Scarboro, Ontario, an impressive service was held on the afternoon of October 9th, when Miss Mildred Weir, of Agincourt, was designated for missionary service in North Formosa under the Women's Missionary Society (W.D.) of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

The service was under the auspices of the Presbytery of Toronto, Rev. Edgar Foreman, Moderator of Presbytery, presiding, assisted by Rev. H. A. Berlis and Rev. J. B. Skene. Mrs. W. A. McLennan, President of the Women's Missionary Society (W.D.), presented Miss Weir for designation. Referring to her many qualifications as a teacher and a nurse with post-graduate training, Mrs. McLennan stressed the fact that all her training seemed to have been preparing Miss Weir for what has, for many years, been her aim—to serve the Church in the foreign field.



Miss Mildred F. Weir, Reg.N.

Rev. A. L. Burch, D.D., Miss Weir's minister at St. Andrew's, conducted the dedication service for the Presbytery. She had grown up, he said, in a congregation which had always been deeply interested in the missionary work of the Church. From it had gone out several missionaries —Miss H. Thompson, Mrs. G. J. Davidson, and Miss E. Glendinning to India, Miss Dorothy Jenkinson to Home Mission work, Miss L. Glendinning, the first deaconess of the Church to be appointed to Canada—and now Miss Weir was about to leave for Formosa. Rev. Dr. Carmichael, of Whitby, her former minister, then delivered the address. Knowing the community and the congregation as he did, he was not surprised that so many missionaries should come from St. Andrew's, Scarboro. Its hundredth anniversary had been celebrated in 1918 by the building of a school in India.

Mrs. W. A. J. Martin, on behalf of the Women's Missionary Society, presented Miss Weir with a handsome Bible, and, as Secretary for Formosa, expressed her pride that so fine a worker should be added to those already in that field. Rev. Mr. Allnutt, of the British and Foreign Bible Society (Canadian Branch) presented her with a Japanese Bible and a Chinese Testament, Mrs. J. Walton, President of St. Andrew's Auxiliary of the W.M.S., with a Life Membership certificate on behalf of the Scarboro women, the young people of St. Andrew's with a leather travelling bag, and Mr. J. Walton, representing the Session, with a beautiful writing-case.

Those in charge of the service were gratified at the large attendance and very appreciative of the bountiful tea to which all were cordially invited by Dr. Burch at the close of the service.

GOD REVEALED IN HUMAN FLESH TO-DAY

''I HAVE never seen Jesus, but I have seen Dr. Shepard,'' was the remark of a poor Armenian, who had seen the Christ-like service of that great medical missionary to the Near East.

This utterance expresses one great Christian truth: Christ continues to reveal God through the lives of His followers.

A missionary in China once told the story of Jesus for the first time to a group of people in an inland town. When he had finished someone said:

''Ah, yes, we knew Him; He used to live here.''

Somewhat surprised, the missionary said, ''No, He lived centuries ago in another land.''

The man still insisted that he had seen Jesus, saying, ''Not so, He lived in this village, and we knew Him.'' Whereupon the crowd conducted the missionary to the village cemetery and showed him the grave of a medical missionary who had lived, served, healed and died in that community.

Christ's spirit taketh breath again
Within the lives of holy men.
Each changing age beholds afresh
Its word of God in human flesh.

—From *The Missionary Review of the World.*

THANKSGIVING

''FOR unbesought best gifts we owe God thanksgiving; but the best way of thanking God for gifts which are for use is by using them . . . . The best thanks for our brain and intelligence is to strengthen it by thinking and foreseeing; the best thanks for our heart and will is to widen it by loving and resolving . . . . I would say that, though petition is more natural and should be more usual with us, yet thanksgiving is the more noble. In other words petition in prayer is more human; thanksgiving, more divine . . . . I gave God thanks; it seemed to me that in that moment I had learned much. At least I had re-learned my good manners, which I shall call my God-manners.''

—From ''The Path of Prayer'', Sir Lawrence Shipley.

The Church of Christ in China

The Women's Missionary Society (W.D.) of the Presbyterian Church in Canada makes an annual grant of $1,000 for evangelistic work under the Church of Christ in China.

The material for this article has been taken from the "Chinese Christian Year Book", the "Missionary Review of the World", and the reports of the Society.

OCTOBER, 1927, marked the beginning of a new era in the history of the Chinese Christian Church. In that month was held the first General Assembly of the new Church of Christ in China, an event which Dr. A. J. Fisher regards as "the most significant and the most constructive, so far as the Christian movement in China is concerned, in that year of chaos, disorder, and revolution."

Steps Leading to Union

At the meeting in April, 1918, of representatives of the London Missionary Society and of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions with the Federal Council of the Presbyterian Churches in China negotiations were opened that led later to the union of many sections of these Churches. About the same time, our missionaries reported a feeling among Chinese Christian leaders that, if the country was to be saved from disaster, the time was ripe for an aggressive Christian movement. A new interest in Christianity was being shown by many thoughtful non-Christians in search of a solution of the problem presented by the chaotic conditions of their country. Towards the end of 1919, at a conference at Shanghai, attended by more than one hundred missionaries and Chinese Christians from all parts of China, the "China for Christ" movement was launched.

During the next few years, political conditions became more and more unsettled, with communistic, labour, and anti-foreign agitation, and, beginning especially in 1925, a violent anti-Christian movement, the whole culminating in what has been called "the political typhoon" of 1926 and 1927. The work of Christian missions, of necessity, felt the effect of this confusion and opposition. Many missionaries had to withdraw from their fields of work; many weaker Christians fell away from the Church; but, in spite of depression and exhaustion, the work went on. Indeed, the Chinese Christians, strengthened by opposition, soon realized that the time had come for further advance.

With the departure of many missionaries, moreover, it became necessary to re-consider mission policies and methods. Sensible of the bewilderment of the people in the face of about a hundred and thirty denominations and sects, in whose historic value they had little or no interest, Chinese leaders as well as the missionaries who had been co-operating more and more closely, came to the decision that, if China was to be won for Christ, it must be won by a *united* Church. Another great difficulty in having Christianity accepted in China has been that it was looked upon as a foreign religion. It was brought to them from foreign countries by men and women who were serving under the Mission Boards of their own Churches and receiving the money for their work from them. The new Church, therefore, must be a *Chinese* Church. In this crisis when they were left to carry on so much of the work themselves, the Chinese, too, developed a new sense of responsibility, and, with it, a growing desire for a larger share in the control of Christian work. Thus, inspired by the vision of a new China, even at that time when disaster seemed imminent, in October, 1927, delegates from Churches in all parts of the country, met at Shanghai, to organize a united Church. It was not, however, to be called ''united'', the Chinese maintaining that there had not been a time when Chinese Christians had not been united. The name adopted was ''The Church of Christ in China''.

Christian Church in South China.

Churches Uniting

The Churches that have now entered into union had grown out of the work of fourteen Churches and Boards: the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions (Congregational), the English Baptist Missionary Society, the Church of Scotland, the Chinese Independent Churches, the London Missionary Society, the Presbyterian Church of England, the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, the Presbyterian Church in the United States (North), the Presbyterian Church in the United States (South), the United Church of Canada, the Reformed Church in America, the Reformed Church in the United States, and the United Brethren in Christ. Although the dream of the union of all Chinese Christians may not soon be realized, leaders earnestly desire a unity of spirit which will render more effectual the effort to christianize China.

Organization

The General Assembly of the Church of Christ in China meets every three years. The fourteen Synods and the seventy-four Presbyteries, or District Associations, represented in it cover a large territory—from Manchukuo in the north to Hainan in the south, and from the coast to the borders of Tibet. In the report of the Laymen's Commission, published in 1933, it was estimated that there were 140,000 members, that is, about 35 per cent. of the total Chinese Protestant membership.

The organization of the Church follows democratic principles. While there must be unity in essentials, in matters of less vital importance there is to be liberty. The Constitution, therefore, allows a good deal of freedom to the local Church. ''It permits that elasticity of expression which will permit daring experimentation in seeking to discover a form of Church government which will most adequately lend itself to expression in Chinese customs, life, and thought.'' In baptism, either immersion or sprinkling is permitted; as a rule, those who formerly used immersion continue to do so, receiving, however, into full communion any worthy Christians who have been baptized by sprinkling. In the administration of the Lord's Supper it is usual to invite all who call themselves Christian and sincerely seek communion with Christ to partake of it. No creed has been formulated for the young Church, the Chinese leaders and the missionaries both feeling that the Chinese will, when led by the Holy Spirit, work out their own statement of belief in a form suited to their need.

Purpose

Article II of the Constitution states the purpose of the Churches in uniting: ''The Church shall have as its object to unite Christian believers in China, to plan and promote with united strength the spirit of self-support, self-governance, and self-propagation, in order to extend Christ's gospel, practise His Way of Life, and spread His Kingdom throughout the world.'' To carry out this purpose, the General Assembly has laid special emphasis upon certain aspects of Christian work, such as Evangelism, Religious Education, the Youth in the Church Movement, Christianizing the Home, Rural Evangelization, Stewardship, and Literature.

Transfer of Responsibility

After some years' discussion of the question of the transfer of more responsibility and control to the Chinese themselves, if there was to be a Chinese Church, a strong delegation was sent to the meeting of the International Missionary Council at Jerusalem in the spring of 1928, with a statement that ''formal authority belongs to the Chinese''. The Council's decision for all similar cases was: ''These younger Churches can bear their testimony more naturally, more adequately, and more extensively, only as they become thoroughly naturalized.'' Since the Jerusalem meeting, Chinese Christians have renewed their efforts to build up an indigenous Church, gradually developing a style of architecture, an organization, and forms of worship, best suited to the needs of what they feel is their *own* Church, in an earnest desire ''to conserve and fulfil all that is best and truest in the spiritual heritage of the nation and to lead it on to new spiritual achievement under the guidance of the Spirit of the living God.''

During the last few years, then, the responsibility for leadership has been gradually given over to the Chinese. Naturally, Churches have, at first, found difficulty in adjusting themselves to the new conditions. Through missionary work a large number of Chinese had been trained as leaders, but there were not enough for the great task for which they found themselves responsible, when so many missionaries had withdrawn because of revolution, or economic depression with the consequent curtailing of mission work. The leaders of the Chinese Christian Church, therefore, have appealed for more foreign missionaries, who should still have an important contribution to make within the Chinese Church. It is their opinion that it will be long before help, both of workers and of funds, can be dispensed with. They desire, however, only such missionaries as are willing to work with them as equals, not as superiors. In an address printed in the report of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, of January, 1935, Dr. Wei, President of Chunghua College, Wuchang, says: ''We call you to come to us and work with us as colleagues. We do not want to distinguish between the Chinese and missionary workers. We are all workers in the Church of God.''

Mrs. Burkwall

It was at the earnest request of the Church of Christ in China that Miss Ethel C. Reid returned in 1930 as our missionary under that Church to engage in evangelistic work in the Shek Lung district of the Kwong Tung Synod. Since her marriage to Rev. H. O. T. Burkwall, of Canton, she still gives a great deal of time to that work as well as to work in the Canton district, at the same time keeping in touch with Chinese women and girls returning from Canada. As modern education has not been long open to Chinese women, there is urgent need for Christian women workers, for they alone can carry on the work among the women and children of China. Through the work that Mrs. Burkwall is doing and the grant made for evangelistic work under the Church of Christ in China, the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian

Church in Canada has an active interest in the wonderful things that the young Chinese Church is already accomplishing.

The Five-Year Movement

Early in 1929, under the inspiration of the Jerusalem Council, a series of regional conferences for Christian leaders was held. At Canton, Dr. C. Y. Cheng, the first Moderator of the Church of Christ in China, made an urgent appeal for better Christians within the Church and an increased membership. Their aim should be: ''The cultivation among Christians of a deeper knowledge of Christ, of a more courageous following of Him in all the relationships of life; and the carrying out of a vigorous evangelistic programme in the hope that within the next five years the number of Christians will, at least, be doubled.'' Church leaders, Chinese and missionaries, accepted the challenge. Such was the origin of the Five-Year Movement which was to begin in January, 1930, taking as its watchword Dr. Cheng's prayer: ''Lord, revive Thy Church, beginning from me!''

At the beginning of the fifth year of this great evangelistic movement it was reported that there was in the Chinese Church a new spirit of hopefulness, a quickening of religious life, a willingness on the part of youth to co-operate with the Church, and a general advance in all departments of work undertaken, although the actual increase in membership had not been great. The movement is to continue beyond the five-year period, the leaders believing that Dr. Stanley Jones was right in describing the present situation in China as constituting ''the greatest evangelistic opportunity in the world.''

THANKSGIVING SONG

Praise God for seed time and the spring,
For autumn and the garnering,
For all the glorious harvest hours,
The golden fields, the sun, and showers!

Praise God for home — the shelter strong
When skies are grey, and nights are long;
For loyal hearts, and counsel wise,
For home and all home's tender ties!

Praise God for losses and for gain,
The year's full joy, the year's deep pain;
For tears to weep, and songs to sing,
For grieving and for comforting.

Praise God, nor let a doubt assail.
Seed time and harvest shall not fail,
Nor patient love, nor strength, nor stay;
Praise God to-day! Praise God to-day!

—Jean Blewett.

The Observance of the Day of Prayer for 1935 in Canada

AT the June meeting of the Inter-Board Committee of the Women's Missionary Societies of Canada, reports for the Day of Prayer for 1935 were received and allocations of funds made.

The Treasurer's report was most encouraging. This year 1,303 letters with enclosures were received as compared with 1,111 last year; and $5,844.40 as against $5,379.19 for 1934. When in 1933 the total collection amounted to slightly over $5,000, the gift was referred to as an ''amazing one'', and now, still in the depression, two years later it is only slightly under $6,000.

The beneficence of this material result is made manifest by the grateful letters from missions publishing Christian Literature in all parts of the world. But the spiritual benefits to those who gather in this ever-widening circle of Christian fellowship is still greater, and the springs are being fed from one more source that flow out in spiritual healing.

This increase in numbers, reaching out to isolated districts, and in missionary interest that gives gladly from the slenderest purse, may be seen from some extracts from letters:—

Halifax, Nova Scotia: ''We had the largest crowd in ten years and had more denominations taking part.''

Plaster Rock, New Brunswick: ''The programme was very fine this year, and the information on the last page was greatly appreciated.''

Orrville, Ontario: ''This was our first attempt to hold a meeting. We enjoyed it very much and followed the whole programme. We have no W.M.S. so members of our Ladies' Aid took the various parts and we shall always hold these meetings in the future.''

Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario: ''We sent an appeal over the air from our local station which also proved a blessing. I am hoping for further opportunity to press the work up the line in the mining sections. So many places never have a service. I am enclosing a letter from a friend of mine to whom I wrote asking if she would undertake the gathering of the women up there for prayer, March 8th. There are no churches anywhere around them. Is it not gratifying to learn from her letter that a Missionary Society has been formed as a result of the Day of Prayer? Praise God for it!''

Flin Flon, Manitoba: ''We held the first Day of Prayer in Flin Flon last Friday.''

Le Pas, Manitoba: ''It is a glorious thought that from sunup to sunset the women of all lands are praying and using the same programme of service. What a wonderful link in thought and communion with those who are far away.''

Griswold, Manitoba: ''One woman who is on relief and who had been at the service this afternoon, came up here this evening with 10c for her offering. She had a quarter in her purse, but could not give it all, so she had it changed, and 10c. went for stamps, 5c. for the offering next Sunday, and 10c. for the World Day of Prayer. If we had a few more like her the work would prosper.''

Springwater, Saskatchewan: ''We were very few in numbers, but how we did enjoy the meeting!''

Loelie, File Hills Indian Colony, Saskatchewan: ''We had a wonderful service in spite of a very stormy day. Nine women met here in my little house, and no programme was conducted more thoughtfully and reverently throughout the land, I am sure. It was a most inspiring time for us all.''

Hartwell, Alberta: ''I am enclosing $1.00 as my offering for the World Day of Prayer. I am very isolated and unable to meet with other women so had my meeting all by myself. I am sure God will hear my prayer, but how I miss the inspiration of church and congregation!''

Blairgowrie, Sibbald, Alberta: ''I went down to our rural school and we had a very interesting meeting with the children Friday afternoon.''

Prince Rupert, British Columbia: ''I am glad to report increased interest and a larger attendance than we had last year.''

Vancouver, British Columbia: ''Early in the year we sent a letter to the missionary leaders of all denominations throughout the province, putting upon them the responsibility for meetings in their own districts. We hope this plan has resulted in more widespread interest. There have been many expressions of appreciation for the beautiful printed service this year, many thinking that it is the best we have ever had.''

The allocation of this year's giving was as follows:—

Chinese Christian Literature	$200.00
Chinese Christian Literature for Children	200.00
West China Press	100.00
Japanese Christian Literature	300.00
Kagawa Fellowship for Christian Literature	300.00
Korean Christian Literature	200.00
Committee on Christian Literature for Women and Children	500.00
Moslem Christian Literature	300.00
African Christian Literature	800.00
Indian Christian Literature	500.00
Ludhiana College, India, for Christian Literature	100.00

Vellore College, India, for Christian Literature	100.00
Jewish Christian Literature	600.00
Canadian School of Missions	500.00
Interdenominational Leper Mission for Christian Literature	200.00
Upper Canada Tract Society	200.00
British and Foreign Bible Society Canada	300.00
National Religious Educational Council of Canada	200.00
	$5,600.00

—*Ernestine R. Whiteside.*

THE next World Day of Prayer for Missions sponsored by the Committee on Women's Work of the Foreign Missions Conference, and the Council of Women for Home Missions will be on the first Friday in Lent, February 28, 1936. The programme for 1936 has been prepared by Senoritá Laura Jorquera of Santiago, Chile. The theme is ''On Earth Peace, Goodwill Toward Men.'' Senorita Jorquera writes:

''Close upon three thousand years ago, a prophet of Israel laughed derisively, saying: 'They see visions of peace, and there is no peace' (Ezekiel 13: 16). And his bitter words have rung through the years, and are being constantly repeated in the same derisive tones today.

''All things to the contrary notwithstanding, we believe in and *we work and we pray for* the advent of peace among the nations, for goodwill among men.''

Books Old and New

BY LEREINE BALLANTYNE

Carlyle said, ''That there should one man die ignorant who had the capacity for knowledge, this I call a tragedy.''

IT is not too soon to think about gift books for the Christmas list. A Secretary said recently that she thought we worry a great deal about the clothing of those less fortunate and forget the tragedy of the empty mind —the hunger for reading, and the need of feeding the mind. This year we have been fortunate in securing some excellent editions at very reasonable prices.

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Prayer

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, Whom Jesus has taught us to call our Father, we praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship and glorify Thee. We give Thee thanks for our Lord, Jesus Christ and for the promise of the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Make us ever more willing to accept these Thy great gifts.

We ask Thy blessing as we go about our daily duties in our homes, among our neighbours and in our branch of the Women's Missionary Society. We thank Thee for the loved ones Thou hast given us to cherish, for the people we meet who help us and may be helped by us, and for the countless others whose names and faces we know not, but who are labouring with us for the advancement of Thy kingdom. May the need of the world for Thee and the remembrance of what Thou hast done for us increase our missionary zeal!

While we pray for Thy missionaries everywhere, we pray at this time especially for the people of China and for those of them who have sought new homes in our land and in others. For all who in past years have gone from our Society to carry Thy Gospel to the Chinese we give Thee thanks. We pray that their faith may be an inspiration to the workers of the present day. For the one so recently returned to our midst we beseech Thy healing power and Thy consolation in leaving her beloved medical work. May her work there prosper and develop! Bless, we pray Thee, every means used to make the growing Church of Christ in China the true and natural expression of the Chinese spirit of worship and service. For the guidance and encouragement given by the foreign missionaries and, especially, for our own representative in that work we give Thee thanks. Grant to them and to us trusting hearts in meeting all the changing conditions in the world. May Thy kingdom come in our hearts, in the world, in Thy glory. We ask it, with the forgiveness of our sins, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

All earthly beauty hath one cause and proof
To lead the pilgrim soul to beauty above.

—*Robert Bridges.*

The Witch of the Year

In cloak of gorgeous crimson,
Enwrought with leaves of gold,
Draws near with magic footstep—
Ere comes December's cold—
The spirit of the forest
Whose eyes have caught the brown
Which gleams in woodland waters
Where leaves of Autumn drown.

A glint of topaz splendor,
Her nut-brown hair has caught,
Her smile of elfin sweetness
Of mortal care knows naught.
She lingers on the hillside
Where purple shadows throng,
And boatmen on far waters
Have heard her evensong.

O'er lakes of pine-crowned northland
She throws the spell of dreams;
The echo of her laughter
Thrills down Canadian streams.
When hush lies on the forest
And fairy worlds are near,
She comes—the dusk November—
The witch of all the year.

—*Jean Graham.*

OUR LETTER BOX

News From China

Canton, China.

"JULY, as usual, was a busy month on account of meetings, beginning with Synod, which I attended as your representative, then the Women's Conference which this year was combined with that for men workers and was a great success, we think, and lastly, the Pooi Ling (Keswick) meetings which were very fine indeed, and brought blessing to many.

"The three leaders at the Pooi Ling meetings were splendid. One of them, a Mr. Alfred Chow, of Shanghai, was particularly fine. In the winter of 1927, he took a short course at Wycliffe College in Toronto,—he is Anglican,—and Miss Dickson and I took dinner with him one night at Mrs. Hanna's. He is now principal of a Bible Institute in Shanghai, as well as Secretary for Christian Endeavour work in all China. He is a highly educated man, in both Chinese and English, which he speaks per fectly. He used to be principal of a large school in Shanghai, and while a Christian in name almost all his life, was not out and out for the Lord, until the summer of 1925. It is strange that it should have been that summer, when China was in a ferment of anti-foreign and anti-Christian feeling. In the midst of it all, in Shanghai where it began, meetings for the deepening of Christian life were held in a church for Europeans; among the English-speaking Chinese who attended was this Mr. Chow, whom God evidently wanted for special work for Himself, and in these meetings his whole life was changed, as he yielded himself fully to Christ. We were so glad to get to know him this summer, and to have the privilege of having him as our guest during the ten days of the meetings.

''You will be sorry to hear that Rev. Calvin Lee has gone to the Hunan Bible Institute in Central China to work for ten months. His heart is in Bible Institute work more than any other form of service, I think, and while he had an opportunity to do some of this in Canton, it was only in addition to all his other work, and as a voluntary worker. He was really doing too much and was pretty well worn out. He thought by accepting this position for the school year and devoting himself to this one form of work he would have an opportunity to get strong again. His Church in Canton have just given him leave of absence for the ten months, but it remains to be seen whether or not he gets so interested in the school there that he stays longer. We shall miss him greatly in all the work we have been doing together, and especially in the Sheklung work. Now that Dr. Fisher is back they want him to do more in that Presbytery, where he used to live years ago.

''Another loss to the work there is our dear Woo Sau Chan, but this is only temporary, too, we hope. For a long time she had longed to go to a Bible School and this summer the way seemed to open for her to go to the Kiangwan Bible School in Shanghai, from which Miss Yip at Kongmoon graduated a few years ago. I was glad to write to Miss Brittain, the principal, that I felt she was getting a very choice spirit, one of God's very own in this dear girl.

''Two of the students who have been at Bible Schools have begun to work this summer. One of them, Lee Kam Lin, has been at Wuchow Bible School where she was supported partly by the London Mission, and partly by us, and is now to do one year's practice work. The other, Wong Kwai Fan, who has been at Bible School in Canton, and has been helping me on Sundays with my little Sunday School, is to work in Tungkun City. Chue So Ngeh has been working for the holiday months and will now return to Wuchow for another year. She writes that she has been having splendid opportunities among children in Pekleh where she and another young worker have been.''

—*(Mrs. H. O. T.) Ethel Burkwall.*

Opening Doors

Jhansi, India.

"WE are quite busy in the dispensary these days. We haven't many in-patients, but the last few weeks there have been between thirty and forty people every day coming for treatment. Most of these are the boys and girls of the schools and our Christian people. I have been going over to a near-by village every Monday morning for evangelistic work and I find that lately more people are coming from there for treatment.

"Our work among the women in the city has been, indeed, very encouraging. When we first started to go in, the women would not even speak to us. In fact, they would often run off into their houses. Others seemed afraid of us and we would hear remarks like this, 'They are coming to take our children'. We would tell them not to be afraid, we had just come to meet them and tell them the story of Jesus the Saviour. Some of them would listen, but many would do their best to cause a disturbance. Now we find such a difference. There are more and more homes opening up to us. The women will speak to us and ask us to sit down and talk to them. Lately, they have even been sending their children after us to ask us to come. Most of them listen very well and some seem to be greatly interested. There is one old lady especially to whom we go every time we go in. She seems very much interested and will sit and drink in every word. She reminds me of a little child listening to a thrilling story. She has told us that she believes in Jesus as her Saviour and I believe that at heart she does believe.

"We have been going into the city for this work three times a week and I have begun to do some medical work as well as the evangelistic. It is rather difficult, though, because caste seems to be so strong that many of the women will not yet accept medicine from my hands, though lately they have been bringing their children to me. Often I have found some one sick, but they have refused my medicine to take internally—chiefly because of caste, I think, but they might be a little afraid, too.

"Last Saturday evening when we were in the city, a woman told me about her baby having dysentery. Not having any medicine with me, I said I would bring some in the morning, and she promised to let me give it. In the morning I found the child absolutely limp in its mother's arms. When I tried to give it the medicine, it would not swallow or even move. It would open its eyes in such a dazed way that we became suspicious. When I questioned the mother, she said she had given it opium. To stop its crying, she gave it so much opium that the poor little thing was practically unconscious. She refused to let me try again to get the child to swallow, but said she would give the medicine when it wakened up. Yesterday I found the child in the same condition—limp and dazed with the opium. I had no proof that she had given the medicine I had left for it on Sunday, though she said she had. She would not let me give it more without her husband's permission, so once again I had just to leave the medicine, trusting that they would give it. The child was very sick and I longed to do something more for it, but just couldn't because of the ignorance of the mother. She said she wouldn't give it any more opium, but I expect that the next time the baby cried, it would be given more. I am going in to see it again to-night.''

—*(Miss) Eleanor McKechnie.*

Opportunities for Service

Jhansi, India.

''JUST as we were ready to go to the village the other day a man came along and asked if I'd please go to see his wife. 'She has a new baby born seven days ago and is troubled with great pain in her abdomen.' Of course, I promised to go. I found the woman suffering from indigestion with mild diarrhœa and gas pains. I asked them to get some flaxseed and grind it up for me. With this we made a poultice to apply to the abdomen. As we had no hot water bottle to keep it warm, I asked for some sand. They produced some much-treasured sand from the banks of the sacred Ganges and asked if that would do. I said, 'Oh, yes, that would be all right.' So we heated the sand and then tied it in a cloth, to use instead of the hot water bottle. A dose of castor oil, a remedy every villager knows, completed the treatment. When I visited the home that evening, I found the mother feeling fine, and every one friendly and happy, ready for us to sit down and tell them the Gospel story. Now I may call there and talk to the women as often as I wish. We also had quite a long talk with the men of the house.

''I always keep eye medicine on hand, inviting any one I see with a sore eye to come for treatment. Since scorpions are about at this time, I brought out some medicine for scorpion bites and to-day received my first call for aid. A few minutes after treatment the patient declared the pain was gone, much to the delight of her father who was an official. Returning from the village, I met three other patients. One had torn off a finger nail and the finger was slightly infected. He was invited to come for medicine—salt and water, one of the most up-to-date treatments for infection. The second said a frog had grabbed his big toe, thinking it something good to eat. The toe showed no sign of injury, but as the Indian believes the frog to be poisonous, I applied a little iodine and relieved his mind. The third had an abscess. After opening it, I gave him salt and water as a dressing. These things do not call for any great amount of money, nor, in my opinion, could they be very well reported as medical work. In it I am just trying to lead these people to see Jesus in us, to hear His word, that they may come to know Him.''

—(Dr.) Elizabeth H. Thurrott.

Grateful for Church

Happy Mount Leprosy Colony, Formosa.

''THIS morning, as it is raining, the patients cannot be out working. I went over to the church and found some twenty-five or more men and boys scattered in groups learning to read, all at various stages. This leads up to Bible reading. There were women there cleaning the benches and the floor for Sunday's services. The church building is a great blessing to them and I believe you never spent money to better purpose, and we all, staff and patients, thank you. We have now forty-two patients, and it does not seem too large. When we have eighty, it will be just about right. Yesterday we had three visitors, two from South Formosa, and one from Swatow.''

—G. Gushue-Taylor.

YOUNG WOMEN

Remembrance

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

FOLLOWING a westering sun, an Empire population will observe, this month, the anniversary of Armistice Day. In warm Eastern and Southern climes, and in the chill weather of Western and Northern zones, men and women will bow their heads in remembrance of those who fell in the World War, and official tribute will be paid to that host of gallant men who laid down their lives in a great cause.

In these days when the years seem to be dulling the tragedy of 1914-18, and the determination in European hearts and minds that ''it must not happen again'', it seems timely to recall an unforgettable word-picture. ''Let us watch the dead of the World War file past the Cenotaph of the world, not four abreast, but ten abreast. They would commence filing past the Cenotaph at the close of the ceremonies on Armistice Day, ten abreast, occupying the width of the road from curb to curb. Marching ceaselessly through the day and night, the dead of the World War would file past, ten abreast and two seconds apart, until Christmas morning.''

As we stand, this month, before our soldier shrines, let not our hearts be torn by sad forebodings, let not our remembrance of those who fell be intermingled with fear for those who may yet fall in like battles. Rather as followers of the Prince of Peace, may this very act of remembrance stir us anew to our task of spreading the gospel message to all nations. May we, each one, have a share in hastening the day when war shall be no more, and the Kingdom of universal brotherhood shall prevail.

There was a father who, to keep his child quiet, tore a map of the world into pieces and gave them to the child to put together as a jig-saw puzzle. To the surprise of the father, the child had completed it in a very few minutes.

''How did you manage to do it so quickly?'' asked the astonished father.

''Oh, Daddy,'' said the boy, ''there was a picture of a man on the back. I put the man right, and the world came right itself.''

—*Fergie D. Holman.*

GIRLS AND LEADERS

Dear Leaders and Girls:

NOW that we have settled down to our winter's work, I thought it might be well if we would give a little time and thought to our worship services.

Worship is recognizing the worth-ship of God. Every race in every age has believed in the existence of a supreme being or beings whose worth has been greater than the greatest man. The desire to worship grows out of a sense of need,—the need of being understood, the need of sharing our inmost thoughts with some one, the need of forgiveness, the need of courage to face the difficulties and problems of life. In our worship service our purpose should be to make God real and to make ideals of life grow out of ideals of God. Real worship clarifies religious thinking, cultivates religious feelings, and motivates religious actions.

The Bible is the greatest source of inspiration and help in building a worship service. In the Bible are found the most beautiful calls to worship, the loveliest benedictions, and the most exalted prayers. For example, read the calls to worship in our hymn book. Here you will find a collection of beautiful thoughts on worship. Use the Psalms for responsive reading. Study and memorize some as a group.

Prayer is an important part of the worship service. Encourage everyone to take part thoughtfully and reverently. Use prayers that are well written in preference to impromptu prayers. I would recommend *The Book of Prayers* written for use in an Indian College. (This book is written especially for girls.)

Music is another means of worship,—one that we sometimes overlook. It sets a spiritual tone and creates the proper kind of atmosphere. We are now in the midst of a new period of church music; it is almost impossible to sing hymns like No. 581 in the Book of Praise and remain unmoved.

The ultimate goal is to develop the ability to worship under all conditions, in an art gallery, on a busy street corner,—in short, *to recognize God in all experiences of life.*

Earth's crammed with heaven,
And every common bush afire with God;
But only he who sees takes off his shoes;
The rest sit round it and pluck blackberries.
—(Elizabeth Barrett Browning).

—*Jean Kelman.*

MISSION BANDS

JOHN AND MARY VISIT KICHI IN CHERRY BLOSSOM LAND

Part II. (For Part I. see October issue)

SOON they arrived at the home of the Presbyterian missionaries whom they were visiting. Mary stayed with her mother while she had tea with Miss MacLean, Miss Anderson, and Rev. L. L. and Mrs. Young. She listened very attentively while the missionaries told of their work in visiting homes, trying to help the Korean mothers to see the light of the Gospel story, and leaving Bibles and tracts in their own language to help them to understand the great message more clearly. Many meetings were held every day, morning, afternoon and evening for the men, women, young men, young women, and children; and to these meetings many came because of their soul-hunger for the One True God. Thus, a large number were led, through the Holy Spirit, to believe in Him and in their Saviour. Many of these converts often had to suffer at home because of their new faith. Especially was Mary interested when Miss MacLean told of her seven Kindergarten schools, and the little children who there learned to know and love Jesus. How they did love the Christmas and Easter stories! Many of her little children had not known of Christmas before and were very happy over their Christmas party and the Christmas gifts made possible by the Japanese Mission Band in Vancouver.

Then John and his father came home, and Miss MacLean took the two children to the Kindergarten school. When Miss MacLean entered with Mary and John the little pupils rose from the floor where they had been sitting, and bowed very low. Then some little boys recited verses from the Scriptures and all sang ''Jesus Loves Me,'' but with Japanese words. The chorus is:

Waga Shu Jesu
Waga Shu Jesu
Waga Shu Jesu
Ware we — aisu.

After some games, such as you play here, like *Drop the Handkerchief* and *Nuts in May,* in which John and Mary joined, the children were taken out for their supper of rice, fruit and milk.

On the way back to the house Mary and John told Miss MacLean about Kichi, wondering if he knew about Jesus. Miss MacLean promised to try to find him and visit his mother, and ask her to allow him to come to their school. Mary said, ''I feel so glad I have done a little in our Mission Band at home to help your school, Miss MacLean. Just think, only for it, those little girls and boys would still not know about Jesus.'' John added, ''I, too, am glad I have helped, but I am going to do much more. Often, I have bought a chocolate bar or gum when I didn't need them. From now on I put my money into my mission-box.''

After supper their father and mother went to the meeting with Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Young, but John and Mary went to bed early, as they would be leaving early in the morning for Formosa. Our next story will tell you about their adventures there.

(To be continued)

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

Mrs. J. M. Moodie, 2719, 14th St. W., Calgary, Press Secretary

CALGARY P.S.—The fall meeting of the Calgary Presbyterial on September 17th opened with a banquet in Grace Church, Calgary, at which the members of the Provincial Board were guests. The many items of interest exchanged and discussed made this gathering, at which Mrs. T. Rodger presided, a very happy and profitable one. After the usual reports, Mrs. Allott, Provincial President, gave an encouraging and helpful talk on our missionary standing and the great need of our being ever faithful to our great cause. The organization of evening Auxiliaries for the benefit of business women and others who are unable to attend afternoon meetings was thoroughly discussed, and steps will be taken to organize such groups. Plans were made, too, for having a circulating library within the Presbyterial, to provide material on our mission work for the use of all organizations of the W.M.S.

Edmonton P.S.—Again, First Church, Edmonton, mourns the loss of one of its devoted workers, in the person of Mrs. W. Lovegrove, whose untimely death took place on August 23.

Having been a school teacher before her marriage, Mrs. Lovegrove was always interested in children and young people, and for several years had charge of the Beginners' Department of our Sunday School as well as of the Mission Band, which grew rapidly under her leadership. Later she became Presbyterial Girls' Organizations' Secretary. Her memory will long be cherished by many of the girls of our Church whose love and admiration she won, and the thought of her kindly smile and loving words will continue to be an incentive to better things.

She loved her Lord in early youth
And longed to show the way,
That other girls might feel the joy
She knew from day to day.

Macleod P.S.—The semi-annual meeting of the Presbyterial was held in St. John's Church, Medicine Hat, on August 27, with Mrs. J. H. Harback presiding. The attendance was good and reports from all departments were encouraging. At luncheon the women were joined by members of the Presbytery, which was meeting there at the same time. Rev. R. J. Douglas, D.D., gave a very inspiring address to the women at their afternoon session. Through our meeting with Dr. Douglas and the other members of Presbytery, it is felt that inspiration has been received which will greatly help in our future work.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

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WESTMINSTER P.S.—A beautiful and impressive service was held in Robertson Church, Vancouver, on September 3, when Miss Ruth Heighton, B.A., was designated as a missionary to Formosa. Rev. Robert Acheson, Moderator, conducted the service, assisted by other members of Presbytery. Mrs. R. M. Thomson, W.M.S. Provincial President, brought greetings from the Council Executive. An English Bible was presented to Miss Heighton by Mrs. Thos. Wilson, First Vice-President of the Provincial, and a Japanese Bible and Amoy New Testament by Rev. Mr. Ellis, on behalf of the British and Foreign Bible Society. Other presentations were made on behalf of the Westminster Presbyterial and the Auxiliary of Robertson Church.

On September 7 the following missionaries of the Presbyterian Church in Canada sailed on the Empress of Canada from Vancouver: Mr. and Mrs. Angus MacKay, Miss Williamson and Miss Lily Simpson, to India; Rev. Luther Young and Miss Jean McLean to Japan; Miss Ruth Heighton to Formosa.

On the evening of September 6 a farewell reception for the out-going missionaries was held in Mount Pleasant Church, Vancouver. Mrs. R. M. Thomson presided. Each of the missionaries spoke briefly. Miss Lily Simpson, of Jhansi, India, paid a very high tribute to the work and the workers in the Peace River district which she had visited on her way to the Coast. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting by the members of the Provincial Executive and a pleasant time was spent in meeting and greeting the missionaries.

A rally of the Mission Bands of the Presbyterial was held on September 6 in Fairview Church, Vancouver, Miss Acheson, Presbyterial Mission Band Secretary, presiding. Miss Jean McLean, of Japan, spoke in a most fascinating way to the children. Miss Ruth Heighton was also present and both she and Miss McLean were presented with corsage bouquets from the Mission Bands.

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The Late Mrs. G. W. Faryon

IT is with a sense of loss and sincere sorrow that we record the death on August 23 of Martha Faryon, wife of Rev. G. W. Faryon. She was a devoted member of First Presbyterian Church, Winnipeg, and active in the women's organizations, especially in the W.M.S., of which she was one of the oldest members. When failing health compelled Mrs. Faryon to withdraw from the usual church activities, she always kept a keen interest in the work of her beloved church. Born in Milton, Ontario, eighty years ago, Mrs. Faryon was the second white woman to settle in the Belmont district, driving there from Brandon in a wagon drawn by oxen. As a doctor and nurse, she cared for the sick in the early days, of which she wrote in her interesting booklet ''Pioneer Days.'' To her husband and her family we extend our deep and sincere sympathy.

ONTARIO

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THE Provincial Board of Management held their semi-annual meeting in Calvin Church, Toronto, on October 3rd and 4th, the President, Mrs. J. A. Hilts, presiding at all sessions. All Presbyterials were represented. Messages were sent to Miss MacMurchy, Mrs. J. A. Locheed, Hamilton, and Mrs. W. A. McLennan. The devotional periods were especially inspiring, while the meetings throughout held much frank and helpful discussion. Miss Mary Murray, Mrs. L. Ballantyne and Miss P. B. Lamont spoke on various parts of the work. Mrs. J. A. McClure asked that western relief supplies, which will again be welcome, should be sent to Presbyterial Supply Secretaries, who will be notified as to destination. Miss Helen Mackintosh, Editor of *Glad Tidings,* was presented and spoke briefly at the noon hour. The evening session was an open one, at which Mrs. Daniel Strachan spoke encouragingly of the financial side of our work and its effect on missionary effort. Rev. Wm.

Thomas, Cooke's Church, delivered a powerful address on the fundamentals of all mission work.

The Golden Jubilee of Paris Presbyterial was fittingly celebrated in Knox Church, Woodstock, where the Presbyterial had been formed, forty organizations responding to the roll call. An historical review, a Service of Remembrance, and the candle ceremony linked the past, present and future. The speakers were many and outstanding, and the messages most helpful. Certificates presented were five Honorary In Memoriam, one Honorary Membership, three In Memoriam, eleven Life Membership, nine Junior Membership, which were included in the receipts of $905.30 and an allocation fulfilled. A pageant and tableaux and an historic display were interesting items. With gratitude for the past was joined consideration for future service.

At the autumn rally of Toronto Presbyterial, held in Davenport Road Church, Toronto, a graphic review of the administrative work of the Society and its relation to the whole work was presented by Mrs. W. A. McLennan. Mrs. W. McCullough discussed ways and means of increasing membership and Mrs. J. Hill conducted a Mission Band hour. Mrs. W. Ekins spoke on Time, Talents and Possessions, and Mrs. J. Kelman spoke on the value of camp life, interesting reports being given by delegates to Glenmohr Summer School.

Thornbury-Clarksburg Auxiliary, Barrie P.S., honored Mrs. T. F. Andrew at a tea given at her home by presentation of a Life Membership, Mrs. K. N. Cooper giving an address. The ''Martha Moore'' Mission Band greatly appreciated the slides ''Over the Sea to Formosa'', shown at their annual Thank-offering meeting.

Mrs. M. W. Heslip, Penetanguishene, and Mrs. E. A. Toombs, India, were speakers at the sectional meeting held in Collingwood. Rev. E. A. Toombs extended greetings. In Penetanguishene, Mr. and Mrs. Toombs were guest speakers, while inspirational five-minute talks were given by several members. An active member in her ninetieth year, Mrs. McCrae, Wyebridge, Honorary President of Barrie P.S., was an honoured guest.

Stayner Auxiliary mourn the loss of a beloved member, Mrs. A. E. Swallow, Honorary Member and former President of Barrie P.S.

To observe the twenty-first anniversary of our missionary organizations, a birthday party, with generous offering and social hour, was held by Alliston Auxiliary at Riverdale Park, with the Home Helpers and the Mission Band as guests. An enthusiastic Mission Band rally was held at Alliston, with large representation also from Tottenham, Beeton and Cookstown.

As part of the centennial celebration of Knox Church, Goderich, Huron P.S., a rally of the missionary organizations was addressed by Miss Bertha Robson, who spoke of ''Looking Backward and Thinking Forward.'' The past was honoured in reminiscences by Mrs. Murdock MacDonald, and in a beautiful Service of Remembrance and consecration, when five pillars were decorated in loving tribute. Certificates were presented, and the Mission Band worshipped in song and prayer.

The Golden Jubilee of Huron Presbyterial, celebrated in First Church, Seaforth, was rich in wonderful memories. Mrs. Colin Fletcher and other pioneer workers of the past were honoured in the historical review and in the Service of Remembrance, while many former and present officers brought greetings, among them Mrs. D. J. Lane, Mrs. Redditt, Mrs. F. H. Larkin, Mrs. J. C. Greig and Miss Jeckell. Mrs. D. Ritchie, as guest speaker, gave a wonderful lesson, simply told, while Rev. Dr. Barnett brought greetings from Presbytery.

In Lanark and Renfrew P.S. an enthusiastic Mission Band rally of over 150 delegates was held in Almonte, when a farewell and suitable gifts were tendered Miss Jean McLean, who resumes soon her work among Koreans in Japan. Pembroke C.G.I.T. won second prize in the Dominion poster contest. The fifty-second anniversary of this Presbyterial was celebrated in St. Andrew's Church, Arnprior, with many special features. The birthday cake, made by Mrs. W. A. Young, was cut by Dr. Margaret O'Hara. Rev. Dr. Goforth was the guest speaker, while Mrs. John Stewart gave a vivid account of the Presbyterial from its formation to the present time. Dr. Tait MacKenzie spoke feelingly in memory of his mother, first President of the Presbyterial. Greetings from Presbytery were brought by Rev. Mr. McAfee.

Bruce and Owen Sound Presbyterial Executive reports an advance in givings. The Tiverton Auxiliary celebrated the twenty-first anniversary of amalgamation, with the Honorary President, Mrs. Dougal McKenzie, presiding. Mrs. J. A. McClure, of the Council Executive and a former member of this branch, spoke on the work of Dr. Jessie MacBean. At a rally of C.G.I.T. girls held in Port Elgin, Mrs. Rowand, who presided, explained the meaning and purpose of the code. An account of the benefits of the girls' camp at Kintail was given by Peggy Smith, Walkerton.

The Jubilee of St. Andrew's Church, Ancaster, Hamilton P.S., was observed in a tea given jointly by the Senior and Girls' Auxiliaries, in which sister Auxiliaries joined. Miss A. J. Ritchie spoke on ''The Presbyterian Church in Canada.''

QUEBEC

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MONTREAL P.S.—The Rev. H. R. Pickup, of Montreal West, was the speaker at an evening meeting of the Executive of Montreal Presbyterial, held on September 20 in Knox Crescent Church, when over one hundred ladies representing twenty Auxiliaries on the Island of Montreal listened with rapt attention to his observations on ‘‘The Church’s Obligation and Opportunity.’’

The two great branches of Church work, Home and Foreign Missions, are one in spirit and inseparable, the speaker declared, in outlining the obligation to seek not only the redemption of all men, but the whole of each man. He discussed Home Missions from the standpoints of Patriotism and Humanity, and then went on to the subject of Foreign Missions. Why Foreign Missions? Because, he declared, apart from the Lord’s command: ‘‘Go ye into all the world,’’ as Christian people, ‘‘we believe that Christianity alone will meet the needs of all people and, believing that, we cannot consistently monopolize it.’’ Moreover, from the intellectual and physical standpoints alone, Missions are worth while, because of the enormous amount of good accomplished by schools and colleges in areas where previously they did not exist. ‘‘If we have the compassion of Christ we shall keep our medical missionaries in the field and endeavour to increase their number.’’

Obviously, then, the need for Foreign Mission work was never more urgent than to-day. Rapid transit and instantaneous communication, having completely changed affairs throughout the world, had given us a new outlook; in addition, the depression had brought home a truth which we had stubbornly refused to learn from the teachings of Christ, that is, the reality of the brotherhood of man.

Mrs. W. E. Baker presided. The Treasurer’s statement showed $6,081.46 sent to the Provincial Treasurer for 1935. The Supply Secretary reported fifteen outfits sent to the Indian Residential School at Birtle, Man., one bale to Miss Grigor at Wanham, Alberta, and two bales to Pouce Coupe, B.C., in the Peace River district. Devotional exercises were led by Miss Margaret McNaughton, of Melville Church.

In the death of Mrs. Mackie, the widow of Rev. John Mackie, of Lachute, the Women’s Missionary Society has lost a loyal and devoted member and the Auxiliary of the Margaret Rodger Memorial Church will miss the sage and helpful advice of its Honorary President. Mrs. Mackie celebrated her ninety-second birthday on August 10, and six days later passed to her eternal rest.

The seventh sectional meeting of the South Shore District of Montreal Presbyterial was held in the Presbyterian Church, Athelstan, on September 28. The morning session was conducted by Mrs. S. Reddick. Auxiliary reports were given by Athelstan, Beauharnois, Elgin, Georgetown, Hemmingford, Huntingdon, Ormstown, Riverfield and Howick and Rockburn. Young Women’s Auxiliary reports were heard from Athelstan, Elgin, Georgetown, Huntingdon, Riverfield and Howick. Mrs. A. Hooker took charge of the Mission Band half-hour. Athelstan, Ormstown, Riverfield and Rockburn Bands reported. Reports were heard, too, from the Huntingdon and Riverfield C.G.I.T. Groups. Mrs. Earl Toombs, who is home on furlough from the mission field of Barwani, India, gave many interesting incidents of the work there and spoke of the need for more workers. Mrs. Owen Campbell, who has just returned to her home in Montreal from a tour covering thousands of miles, was the next speaker. During these travels Mrs. Campbell was impressed with the fact that there never has been a greater amount of talent and ability available in our Church or a time of greater need.

SASKATCHEWAN

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REGINA P.S.—The first meeting of the Auxiliary of First Church, Regina, on September 25 took the form of a rally when friends and visitors, among them Mrs. H. A. Stavely, the President of Moose Jaw Presbyterial, were welcomed as guests of the members. Mrs. G. M. Bell, the President, was in charge of the meeting, and Mrs. S. Farley and Mrs. J. W. Tanner gave the missionary and Bible messages respectively. First Presbyterian Church has two new organizations to report — the Young Women's Missionary Auxiliary, which was organized in June, and the Girls' Auxiliary, organized in September.

At the August meeting of the Auxiliary at Dunkeld, Miss Betty Reeby, a student of Wheaton College, Illinois, gave a most interesting talk, basing her remarks on the text, ''Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? — Lift up your eyes and look on the fields, for they are white already to harvest.'' There was a good attendance, the number of young girls present being very gratifying.

Addressing the congregation of the Arlington Beach Mission Field on the occasion of the laying of the corner-stone of the church, Mrs. John Shaw, of Regina, made her hearers realize something of the great price at which our precious heritage as Presbyterians had been won. A loyal daughter of Scotland, she was able to speak with authority, and her audience was most appreciative of her address. Mrs. John McKenzie, a life-long member of the Presbyterian Church, then placed the Articles of the Faith, the Membership Roll, and other documents in the corner-stone of the church.

Saskatoon P.S.—Once each year the Auxiliaries of St. Andrew's Church, North Battleford, and of Wilkie, sixty miles distant, meet together. This year the meeting was held in North Battleford and was well attended by members and friends from both Auxiliaries. Rev. Thos. Murphy, of St. Andrew's, delivered an address on the subject, ''The Anglo-Saxon's Indebtedness to Foreign Missions.'' Rev. Mr. Webster, of Wilkie, and Rev. Donald Munro, of North Battleford, also took part in the programme.

Treasurer's Statement

September 30th, 1935

RECEIPTS

A Friend, "Bible Women in India"	$ 50.00
A Friend, "Chinese Work in Toronto"	40.00
Glenmohr Jr. Girls' Camp	3.50
Refund from South Porcupine Hospital	1,200.00
Interest	51.00
Pension rates from workers	274.97
PROVINCIAL GIVINGS:	
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	$7,277.03

DISBURSEMENTS

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Vegreville	280.00
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Mistawasis Indian Day School	50.00
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Saskatoon	68.33
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Supplies	25.65
Lantern Slides	.25
Fees to the Canadian School of Missions	100.00
Insurance	3.20
Education of Chinese Girl	5.00
Pensions	116.66
New Missionaries	49.13
South China	969.00
India, Bhil Field	4,083.68
Jhansi Field	2,801.90
Formosa	766.66
Japan	80.79
British Guiana	333.33
Grant to Ludhiana Medical College	50.00
Grant to St. Christopher's Training School	100.00
Exchange	1,632.04
Administration	442.67
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Estate of Elizabeth Barbara Brown, Toronto	$ 15.17	
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Special Gift from Mrs. Jos. Henderson, Toronto, "Maternity Ward", Jobat, India	600.00	
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Loan from Sustaining Fund	1,500.00	
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Rent of Bungalow in Japan	30.00	
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London P.S.—''Mamie Fraser'' Mission Band, Cowal; ''Douglas Wilkie'' Mission Band, Ilderton.

CORRECTIONS FOR ANNUAL REPORT

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Kingston P.S., page 148—New *Glad Tidings* Secretary, Mrs. D. C. Hill, The Manse, Roslin.

Lanark and Renfrew P.S., page 151—Givings for Roche Fondu Auxiliary should be $21.40; for Lochwinnoch $61.17; total for Presbyterial $2,446.14.

Maitland P.S., page 157—New Young Women's Secretary, Mrs. Richard Lloyd, Wingham.

Paris P.S., page 164—*Glad Tidings* Secretary is Mrs. Alec Ramsay, 14 Bedford St., Brantford, *not* Mrs. George Ramsay, 6 Spring St., Brantford.

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Montreal P.S., page 188—*Glad Tidings* Secretary, Mrs. R. A. Sewell, new address, 5647 Canterbury Ave., Montreal.

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A Christmas Carol

In the bleak mid-winter
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter
Long ago.

Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him
Nor earth sustain;
Heaven and earth shall flee away
When He comes to reign.
In the bleak mid-winter
A stable-place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty
Jesus Christ.

Angels and archangels
May have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim
Thronged the air;
But only His Mother
In her maiden bliss
Worshipped her Beloved
With a kiss.

What can I give Him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb,
If I were a Wise Man,
I would do my part,—
Yet what I can I give Him,
Give my heart.

—*Christina G. Rossetti.*

Service for the First Auxiliary Meeting in the New Year

THE OPEN DOOR, 1936

MISS C. E. CAMERON, MONTREAL

Leader: Behold I have set before thee an open door. Rev. 3: 8.
Ye have not passed this way heretofore. Sanctify yourselves, for to-morrow the Lord will work wonders among you. Joshua 3: 45.

Silent Prayer: Intercession for Peace.
Re-dedication of ourselves, our talents, our possessions. The Lord's Prayer in unison.

Hymn 436: ''Come let us to the Lord our God''.

Bible Reading: John I: 1-14.

Prayer: (1) Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication.
(2) Our King and Empire, Country, Community, Churches, Homes.
(3) For the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit.

Our Resources in God's Word

Leader: ''I saw that the most important thing I had to do, was to give myself to the reading of the word of God, and to the meditation on it, that thus my heart might be comforted, encouraged, warmed, reproved, instructed, and brought into experimental communion with the Lord.'' Life of George Müller. Psalm 119: II, 18, 30; Joel 2: 13; Isa. 55: II; I Thess. 2: 4; John 15: 7; Rev. 20: 4; Rev. 22: 7.

Hymn 445: ''Sometimes a light surprises the Christian while he sings''.

Leader: Let us pray for Christ's vision of ''fields white unto harvest''. ''Open our hearts for the great thought, that through the preaching of the Gospel, and the work of intercession, Thy people are to work out Thy purpose''. A. Murray.

Prayer: (1) Missions overseas, our Missionaries, Native Workers, our Fields.
(2) Missions at home, our Office-bearers, our Workers, our Work.

Prayer, its Place, its Power

Leader: ''There is this fine and noble thing about prayer, that the acceptableness of it, and the power of it are in direct proportion to the secrecy and the spirituality of it. As its stealth is: as its silence is: as its hiddenness away with God is: as its unsuspectedness and undeservedness with men is: as its pure goodness, pure love and pure goodwill are — so does prayer perform its magnificent part when it is alone with God.''

Dr. Alexander Whyte.

Lord, teach us to pray. Luke XI: 1.
Psalm 66: 18; Matt. 5: 23, 24; John 9: 31; Luke 24: 29; Acts 1: 8; Matt. 7: 7; Luke 22: 32; Psalm 62: 8; Is. 32: 2; Is. 40: 31; Hab. 2: 1-4; John 10: 16; Is. 62: 6; John 17: 20-26.

The Power of Prayer

Leader: "Lord, what a change within us one short hour
Spent in Thy presence will avail to make,
What heavy burdens from our bosoms take,
What parched grounds refresh as with a shower!
We kneel, and all around us seems to lower;
We rise, and all the distant and the near
Stand forth in sunny outline brave and clear,
We kneel—how weak: we rise—how full of power!
Why therefore should we do ourselves this wrong,
Or others, that we are not always strong,
That we are ever overborne with care,
That we should ever weak or heartless be,
Anxious or troubled, when with us is prayer,
And joy and strength, and courage are with Thee?"

Archbishop Trench.

Hymn 465: "O Love that wilt not let me go".

Benediction

Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen. Jude 24.

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Plan to have as many members as possible take part in the programme.

Editorial

Future Leaders

OF vital interest to the members of the Women's Missionary Society is the attitude of the young people towards the work of the Church, for it is upon them that all responsibility for carrying it on must soon rest. Sincere congratulations are, therefore, extended to the Presbyterian Young People of Ontario on the success of their second annual convention in Galt. A cordial reception by representatives of city and Church, a well-planned programme successfully carried out, stirring addresses by Church leaders, together with the inspiration of five hundred young people meeting to consider *their* work, made this convention a memorable one for those who attended, in the fresh inspiration gained for future work, in the new friendships formed, and in the renewed determination to assume their responsibilities in the work of God's Kingdom. The enthusiasm with which the delegates came away from this gathering awakens a new hope for the future.

An Urgent Appeal

WELCOMED by the President as one whom all love and honour, Mrs. Goforth came to appeal to the Council Executive for nurse evangelists for Manchuria. Having experienced the need of a nurse when there was serious illness in her own home and having seen it in the case of other missionaries, she felt she must do her best to have one, at least, sent out. The missionaries in Manchuria need reinforcements, and the general feeling there is that they should have consecrated evangelists who are trained nurses, to share in the great opportunities for evangelistic workers and, at the same time, use their nursing knowledge in case of need. Mrs. Goforth spoke highly of the work of those already on the field, emphasizing the great service Mrs. Davis was able to render with the assistance of her Bible-women and voluntary workers by conducting classes for native Christian women in various centres.

A Great Missionary Thinker

ONE of the foremost missionary leaders of the present day, Dr. J. H. Oldham, Educational Secretary of the International Missionary Council, recently spent some weeks in the United States and Canada, consulting with Church leaders and missionary groups about the grave problems facing the Christian Church to-day. Dr. Oldham had come to America for the meeting of the Committee of the International Missionary Council at East Northfield, Massachusetts, where an important decision was taken,—to hold in 1938 a full meeting of the Council at Kowloon, China. The attention of that Conference was to be concentrated on the ''younger'' Churches and their growth,—the faith by which they live, the witness of these Churches and evangelism, their inner life, their relation to their environment, and co-operation and unity. Dr. Oldham is strongly convinced that the 1938 meeting must be much more than a conference. If to the great problems of the Church are brought the best minds of the Christian world, then there must come reinforcement to the whole missionary movement.

The impact on the peoples of Asia and Africa of the scientific civilization of the West has of recent years led to revolutionary movements in those countries. What, Dr. Oldham asked, is the Christian answer to that conflict between Christianity and modern thought. Nothing in the history of our time has been of greater moment than the strong wave of nationalism that has swept over almost every country of the world, exalting, as it does, a narrow patriotism into a form of tribal religion. Now, he said, there was to be an open conflict between this worship of the community, or parochialism, and the universalism inherent in Christianity, the future of mankind depending upon the outcome of the struggle.

The younger Churches have, as yet, only a small group of educated leaders, so that in their effort to think out the faith by which they live and its significance they need the help of the older Churches. One of the greatest needs is a deeper and more ardent evangelism. If all Mission Boards begin to give attention to this, at the same time endeavouring to find out what is retarding the evangelical movement, there should be marked progress. There must be something more, however, than just *studies* of evangelism. The only real things in the world are *persons;* councils and committees are mainly important in the personal contacts made. In speaking of the lack of spiritual life that makes for effective witness, Dr. Oldham said the important question was: How far is there in us the depth of spiritual life that would strengthen it in others? For, in the last analysis, the missionary problem is that of one's own personal faith and of the communicating of that living faith to others. There should be a world-wide fellowship to strengthen one another, and the 1938 Conference should give to the leaders of the younger Churches *by actual association with others* this idea of universal fellowship.

Then there is the problem of the relation of the Church to the common life of the community. The Christian faith should be concerned with the life of the community as a whole, not isolating any one aspect of that life and trying to deal with it alone. The aim should be the *Christian community.* The young Churches are facing two grave dangers: becoming small sects concerned only in their own life, with no real relation to the national life, or, on the other hand, being so absorbed in the national life that they cease to be Christian. The 1938 Conference, to be held in Asia, may accomplish much by giving to the leaders in these Churches the consciousness that they are part of a universal, catholic Church.

While a new standard of co-operation had been reached, in Dr. Oldham's opinion, when Mission Boards were providing machinery for dealing jointly with common problems, there had been a further advance in Bengal where the Boards were planning their whole policy together. For a wider international movement, the 1938 meeting, by uniting the study of the problems involved with work on the fields, may be of great importance in centralizing activity as well as in focussing attention on the ecumenical idea of the Church.

An Enthusiastic Conference

THE Girls' Work Board of Ontario, of which Mrs. John Kelman is chairman, is to be congratulated on the very successful conference for leaders of girls in Ontario which was held in Moulton College, Toronto, November 8th to 11th. ''C.G.I.T. and full church membership'' was the theme of the discussion groups led by Miss Jessie Macpherson, Dean of Women, Victoria College, and Miss Gertrude Rutherford, Superintendent of the United Church Deaconess Training Home. Miss Dorothy Kilpatrick gave an interesting lecture, ''An Appreciation of the Bible.''

Full to Overflowing!

THE members of the Women's Missionary Society will be interested to know that the Presbyterian Residence in Saskatoon is quite full, having thirty-four girls now, with others seeking admittance. More encouraging even than the large number is the fact that the great majority of these girls are students, so that the Residence is once more fulfilling the purpose for which it was established.

In connection with the formation of a Senior Auxiliary of the Women's Missionary Society in Knox Church, Gravenhurst, Ontario, it is interesting to note that the President and the Treasurer are mother and daughter. Mrs. R. Anderson, the President, is over eighty years of age.

In the midst of much that is encouraging there comes from the International Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews the disappointing news that the German Government has requested the Irish Presbyterian Church to give up its mission in Hamburg, where Dr. Arnold Frank has given long service.

We regret that, owing to lack of space, an account of the service for the unfurling of flags in the Hungarian Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, and a few Provincial news items have had to be held over until next month.

Programme committees are asked to note that the January issue of the *Glad Tidings* will contain suggestions for Auxiliary programmes for 1936.

WANTED

1. A used or new Lantern and some slides for one of our Deaconesses in Western Canada. The Japanese say, ''A picture is worth a thousand words.''

2. A second-hand typewriter for one of our workers in Toronto.

Information to be sent to Mrs. W. H. Fletcher, 154 High Park Avenue, Toronto, Ontario; telephone Junction 9348.

The League of Nations

AS we approach the Christmas season with its message of peace and goodwill, we must do so with a consciousness of the gravity of the world situation at the present time. At no period since the close of the Great War has the outlook been so dark; but not for many years, either, has there been such a solid body of public opinion behind the League of Nations in its efforts to avert a world war.

Too often has there been complete failure to understand that a new era in world history began with the founding of the League of Nations even nineteen centuries after the coming to earth of the Prince of Peace. Critics have been blind, too, to its remarkable record of successes in averting wars and even checking those already in progress, as well as in working steadily to establish social and economic conditions which would tend to destroy the causes of war. There can be little doubt, however, that its achievements would have been greater had there been more whole-hearted support from the nations whose representatives had signed the Covenant. It is well to remind ourselves of the words of Sir Samuel Hoare, the British Foreign Minister, to the League of Nations Assembly in September. ''The League,'' he said, ''is what its Member States make it. If it succeeds it does so because its members have in combination with each other the will and power to apply the principles of the Covenant. If it fails it is because its members lack either the will or the power to fulfil their obligations. *Its strength or weakness will depend* upon the number, importance, and faithfulness of its constituent members and *upon the support which the governments of the Member States receive from their peoples.* If this national support is strong the League will be strong. If it is weak and uncertain, the policy of the League cannot be firm and consistent.''

For the first time in its history, the League recently determined to put into force Article XVI of the Covenant, imposing ''sanctions'' against an aggressor State making war in disregard of its covenants under Articles XII, XIII and XV. The League of Nations has taken a firm stand, prepared to enforce the penalties against a member that has broken its solemn pledge. World opinion is strongly behind this policy, for gradually the determination has grown that war must cease as a method of solving international problems, and that pledges must be honoured. At no other period of history has this determination been so strong; hence, never before could the League of Nations act so decisively.

The lead taken by Great Britain in the movement for world peace may very well be due in part to the remarkable expression of the national ''desire for peace, for disarmament and for the maintenance of the machinery necessary to promote these things'' as manifested in the National Declaration on the League of Nations and Armaments, popularly known as the Peace Ballot. In that referendum, organized by the League of Nations Union of Great Britain and carried out in spite of very great obstacles, nearly twelve million men and women,—eleven million, six hundred and seventy thousand,—gave thoughtful expression to their views on vital questions of international policy. The vote showed decisively the strength of public opinion in support of the League ''as an effective instrument of peace.'' Undoubtedly, the result of the Ballot has been a source of strength to the British Government in its efforts to ''preserve some international sanity''.

Canada is an active member of the League of Nations. The Assembly of the League was assured in September of Canada's belief that ''the League of Nations is an indispensable agency for world peace.'' Could not the efforts to establish peace to which all member states are pledged be strengthened by more articulate and effective support from the people of this country? Christian women and members of a Missionary Society, whose very membership implies a world outlook and a belief in world friendship,—a Society affiliated to the League of Nations Society in Canada,—must realize that this is no time for apathy. Rather is it a time for putting forth every effort to promote the cause of peace. The attitude of nations towards one another cannot remain as it was. ''We are all so near nowadays to one another that the only defensible and only reasonable way of life is the way of active neighbourliness.'' The only lasting peace will be a peace founded on justice and equity. To be in earnest in desiring such a peace, one must endeavour to know what justice and equity demand and what sacrifices they may entail. It is necessary to develop the habit of thinking clearly and forming intelligent opinions based on accurate knowledge of public questions.

Newspaper Evangelism

WHO would dispute the power of the press in our time? With the spread of compulsory education, those who seek to influence the minds of the people find in it a powerful instrument for making known their ideas and doctrines. That the press has been used unscrupulously to sow the seeds of class and national hatred and, in its sensationalism, to present a false picture of life, no one will deny. If, however, its influence for evil has been great, that for good has not been small. Although less sensational, important has been its effect in helping to give the good news of Christianity to the world. While the distinctively religious newspaper may not be so widely circulated as formerly, far more extensive use is made of the ''secular'' newspaper and magazine for the discussion of religious questions and the publication of news of Christian work, both national and international. The influence thus exerted on the general public it is impossible to estimate, but it cannot be ignored.

Apart from the growing desire to utilize the press in all countries for the spread of Christian ideas, there has been an organized effort in the East to carry on what is known as *newspaper evangelism.* Begun in Japan about twenty-five years ago, this method of Christian work has become increasingly important not only in that country, but also more recently in India. In Japan, with its system of compulsory education, the newspaper is an important force in the national life. With a large part of the population not reached by the Christian Church, a systematic attempt has been made to use the secular publication as an evangelistic agency. Christian articles are inserted in papers, or advertisements inviting any who may desire information to apply to a convenient centre. In 1930 there were twenty-five centres for newspaper evangelism. In this way the Christian message is being brought to isolated individuals and communities not otherwise reached by the Church; many other inquirers are brought into contact with the Church already working in their district, for those who are carrying on this work make every effort to bring individuals into connection with the local Church, if there is one. It is reported that in one prefecture in which there are two hundred and forty towns and villages, only fifteen of them having any Christian Church, inquiries came to newspaper evangelism centres from every town and village. If visiting is impossible, the preliminary work is followed up by letters and books sent to those seeking help, and correspondence courses, including those in Bible Study, are conducted for applicants whose religious background is non-Christian.

Rev. Murray Walton in *The Press and the Gospel* tells the story of this movement which is touching thousands of people in Japan alone. The immediate response to the articles was encouraging. ''Letters and visits were received from people of every kind: from schoolmasters and uneducated folk, from city dwellers and countrymen, from hospital nurses and patients, from men in the army and navy and the consular service, and from Buddhist and Shinto priests.'' We are told that suitable literature was sent to fifty thousand applicants; when one considers that other members of the family, and perhaps friends, would have access to this literature, one realizes that the number of those reached may be very large. ''Curiosity has been awakened, inquirers have been helped to find the light, despairing men and women have been given hope, seekers have found Christ, and weak or ignorant Christians have been given strength to overcome.''

Dr. Kagawa has been particularly active in the work of producing and distributing Christian papers at prices within reach of the poor as well as literature for the educated public. The *Kingdom of God Weekly,* with a circulation of thirty-two thousand, endeavoured to provide devotional and evangelistic material for following up the work among inquirers. It has been found that of all books giving knowledge of Christianity Dr. Kagawa's have been more widely used than those of all other writers combined. More than a quarter of a million copies of his *New Life Through God* were sold, ''with the result,'' he wrote, ''that in 1930 I received two thousand letters from inquirers seeking Christ after reading this one book.''

There would seem to be a wide field for the wise, alert newspaper evangelist in a country such as Japan, where the people are interested in religious questions, where newspapers are widely read, and where the Church has already had a vision of how the press may be used effectively for the extension of the Kingdom. ''One of the fascinations of this work,'' writes Mr. Walton, ''is that it opens endless fields to the pioneer. We never can tell what is going to be the next development.''

Recently newspaper evangelism has been making progress in India, too, where Dr. E. Stanley Jones has been encouraging it. In the *Indian Witness* of July 25, 1935, special reference is made to the efforts of Mr. J. Holmes Smith, whose articles in secular publications have been reaching many throughout India. This work, it was hoped, would be further extended as a result of the Lucknow Ashram in July.

THE NEWSPAPER PULPIT

''Faith Cometh by Hearing''

Therefore, the first thing to do is to get a hearing. To get a hearing the Apostle Paul resorted to the synagogue when in a Jewish community, and to the market-place when among the Greeks. In a modern community, the place where men go to hear or tell some new thing is neither the synagogue nor the market-place, but to the *daily newspaper.*

The Year That Is Passing—At Home and Abroad

THE CANDIDATES' DEPARTMENT

EARLY in the year an interesting and somewhat unexpected call came to the Candidates' Department, to secure a college-trained young woman for the Principalship of the Girls' High School in New Amsterdam, Berbice, British Guiana, where our share in high school work has been halted for some time. This call was answered by Miss Olwen Davies, B.A., of Willowdale, Ontario.

Another and unusual happening in the department came in the form of a very definite request from Miss Ruth Heighton, B.A., of Vancouver, that she be sent to Formosa, not as a teacher, but as a full-time evangelist. Not before, in ten years, has a like request from a university-trained candidate come to this department.

Yet another outstanding feature of the year's work was the graduation of Miss Mildred Weir, Reg.N., from the Candidates' department to nursing service in Formosa. Miss Weir goes to the Mackay Memorial Hospital with unique training, having spent several years in preparation for her work.

Perhaps not in any other one year has the department received candidates so well equipped professionally and at the same time so missionary-minded.

As the year closes it brings one more ''to-be-remembered'' event to the Candidates' Department—the revision of the Manual. The new Manual has been approved by the Council Executive. It is expected this book of rules and regulations will very soon be ready for use. The Committee in charge is recommending that a copy be sent to each Council Executive member, to each Provincial and Presbyterial President, and to every missionary at home and overseas.

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STUDENT DEPARTMENT

REV. CLIFFORD F. GRANT, on furlough from India, has been appointed by the Missionary Education Council of the Student Christian Movement to visit the Canadian colleges this year. While arousing and keeping active afterwards an interest in the Quadrennial Student Volunteer Convention, to be held at Indianapolis, December 28, 1935, to January 1, 1936, will occupy much of Mr. Grant's time and energy, it is hoped that he may bring back many valuable plans for continued missionary education in the years to come. A Knox College student from Manitoba, Wilfred Butcher, is chairman this year of the Missionary Education Council, whose members represent the Student Christian and Student Volunteer Movements and the various Canadian Mission Boards.

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LIBRARY

HAS it ever occurred to you that the books and magazines stored away in your home might carry sunshine to some of our outposts? A three-cent stamp will mail your magazine monthly or you might make up a bundle of good reading, send it to your Auxiliary Library Secretary and she will see that it is sent where it will be appreciated. Get acquainted with the people to whom you are sending, so that the material will be suitable. I am sure we should all like to have a share in this work, when we read of some of the things accomplished.

''A collection of good books was started as a Library at the manse at Dixonville; others were added, until to-day there is a Library of over a thousand books. These are freely circulated.

''I visited a home lately, that of an elderly couple, and the woman said, 'You have no idea how much the magazines sent in to us mean; they have been a great blessing.'

''Many have Bible pictures and verses pinned up in their homes, so that the seed is sown in that way. The picture calendars are prized so much. For our Mission Band Rally, Scripture and Missionary memory work had been set for the members. A banner was presented to the Band having the highest percentage. 'The Saviour's Lambs,' Prestville, were the proud winners, but we thought the children in the four Bands who had done the best work should be given something, so those who had over eighty per cent. were given a Scripture Calendar sent by a Mission Band in Toronto, and you should have heard the 'Oh's' of delight. The other children were given a picture from the Quarterly Picture Roll. These things mean so much to them up here, where they have had so little in the way of Christian training.''—Miss Grigor, Wanham, Alta.

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OUR DEACONESSES AT LARGE

THE floods which have had such devastating effects in the Peace River district have made travelling and visiting difficult for our deaconesses, Miss Margaret Grigor and Miss Mary Todd, but despite all, they carry on. One day in visiting several families who attend the services Miss Grigor encountered forty mud-holes in her walk of five miles. Needless to say, rubber boots were an essential part of her wearing apparel. But the real joy of visiting these lonely people and talking to them far outshadowed the inconveniences of the journey.

An interesting event in the young life of the Wanham congregation was their anniversary service on October 13th, which was conducted by Dr. W. M. Kannawin, of Toronto. A Ukrainian family walked three miles through rain and mud in order that their two children might be baptized by

Widow and family in Peace River country. The picture was taken in front of their home. They made their own dresses from flour sacks which they dyed green.

the minister. The following Monday morning, a Polish woman called to inquire if the minister was still there and would baptize her three children. She asked what the charge was for baptizing the children; of course, she was told there was none.

Miss Mary Todd has taken over the work at two new points,—Burnt Lee and Last Lake. The former place is eighteen miles from Brownvale where Miss Todd resides, and the latter sixteen miles. Sunday Schools have been opened and Miss Todd says: ''It gave me quite a thrill to see the mothers bringing their little ones to Sunday School for the first time in their lives, and to see how interested they were in the story of the birth of Jesus, and also in the little choruses I tried to teach them.''

A portable organ is proving a valuable asset in Miss Todd's work, for the singing of gospel hymns is an important part of her services. It is also company for our deaconess in her little home. The room which was added to the latter while she was away on her holidays has been comfortably furnished through the kindness of the Edmonton ladies and others.

A new piece of work has been begun in New Westminster, where Miss Shirley Scott has gone to work as deaconess in the three Churches. In Miss Scott's first letter she writes: ''It is a beautiful spot and I am ever so happy to be here. The hills are rather a trial, but fortunately most of the visiting is above the steepest part where it is fairly level. We are nicely situated in regard to Churches. It is only a short walk to St. Stephen's, a longer walk downhill to St. Andrew's and quite a long walk over to St. Aidan's Church. I have several shut-ins whom I visit regularly and will some day tell you about them.''

Miss Hazel Macdonald is doing splendid work among young people in the city of Winnipeg. The summer camp created an enthusiasm which is now carrying the young people into higher service. Miss Macdonald tells of being able through their donations to give a radio to an invalid woman for whom life was very lonely.

And what of all the loving ministry of our other deaconesses of whom we have not written? Each one is sowing the seed of the Gospel of Christ in her allotted place. Eternity alone will reveal the fruit of the sown seed.

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CHINESE IN CANADA

THE work among our Chinese friends in Canada has been carried on in our few scattered missions with the usual enthusiasm and efficiency.

The reports from the Coast are very encouraging, especially in view of the obstacles our helpers have to meet in Vancouver. The largest portion of our Chinese population is concentrated in Vancouver and Victoria, and we most urgently need another assistant in the former city.

In Saskatchewan we have been able to do considerable work in the way of sending out literature to the Chinese families and have given money for a survey of the province.

In Montreal Miss Dickson has been able to centralize her splendid work in the Y.M.C.I. building. Solomon Leung, a student at McGill, carried on an excellent work during the summer months. Unfortunately, Miss Dickson was unable to make her usual visits to the Chinese women in those places where we have no missions, but we are hoping she will feel able to do so next year.

In Toronto Miss Armstrong, Miss Yeung, and Miss Lambert are working most faithfully. The kindergarten is growing, and the vacation school this last summer was a great success. The women's classes are in charge of Mrs. Peter Quan and Mrs. Mah. During Miss Armstrong's absence in Vancouver because of her father's illness and death, Miss Nan Kelman filled her place very acceptably.

Miss Davies continues to work with her usual zeal in Brockville and Miss Reid and Miss Melrose, our voluntary workers in Ottawa and Windsor, respectively, are doing their best to make the Chinese women feel that somebody cares for them.

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BRITISH GUIANA

FOR the past two or three years this little, lone overseas mission in our western hemisphere has been passing through the throes of transition; notwithstanding this condition, when the members were told of the Diamond Jubilee and the effort to clear the Church's indebtedness, they were not behind the rest of the Church. Of their own accord they sent $200 as a contribution from the field.

Mr. Marshall in his report pays a splendid tribute to the catechists and teachers who, during these years, have upheld the best traditions of our Church; and also to the many members who gave time and talent to the work.

Our Girls' High School in New Amsterdam has not been closed, although we had no principal there. The staff of faithful and efficient teachers (native) carried on with considerable success. A few months ago these teachers and their pupils had the pleasure of welcoming their new principal, Miss Olwen Davies, B.A., who arrived in British Guiana on September 20th. Miss Davies is a daughter of the manse, a graduate of the University of Toronto and the Ontario College of Education, and had some months' training in our Missionary and Deaconess Training Home. She is endowed with all the graces and qualities that make for success and is most enthusiastic about her work, thinking of her wonderful opportunity to lead the girls under her care to a knowledge of Him Whom to know is life eternal.

Our Church's plans for re-organization are materially advancing. We learn from Mr. Marshall's report that there are thirty primary schools in the colony, and that ''those under the control of our mission will next year receive from the government a grant so large that in future these schools will involve the mission in no financial responsibility.'' There is, too, a strong probability that a Girls' High School may be established in Georgetown, Demerara, where there is a fine field for work among girls. Little attention has been paid to the education of the East Indian women and the majority of them are illiterate. Now many of them are demanding for their daughters opportunities which were denied themselves. An urgent need in connection with these schools is a girls' residence, especially in New Amsterdam where some of the girls have to walk long distances and many others are so far from the school that they cannot go back and forth every day.

In connection with Church re-construction, Mr. Marshall says: ''In the absence of sessions, local committees have been organized to deal with the problems of the various districts. In St. Cuthbert's Church, Georgetown, the first Church session was formed. In this Church during the past year the membership has doubled, a Young People's Society has been formed, a troop of Boy Scouts organized, several classes for women and girls have been inaugurated, and the members of the congregation have formed themselves into groups to do intensive visitation and evangelistic work.''

How very useful two or three of our splendid graduates from the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home could be in organizing and leading these groups of women and girls, and in training them to be leaders!

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MANCHURIA AND SOUTH CHINA

MANCHURIA without Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Goforth seems unreal, as does Hackett Medical College in Canton without Dr. Jessie MacBean. The former veteran missionaries are spending the evening of their lives in stirring up our people to renewed personal consecration and practical interest in China. Dr. MacBean will be under medical supervision for some time yet in Canada. We know that her absence hampers the beneficent work of her special department in the college. Our prayers are asked for her and her colleagues.

Manchuria still waits for the two evangelists, one with nurse's training, whom we have promised to support. To our regret Miss Hunter, accepted for evangelistic work, has had to withdraw owing to the advice of her physician, also for family reasons.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Davis alone in Taonan and Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Reoch in Szepingkai are rejoicing in the addition to their Council of Rev. E. H. and Mrs. Johnson at present in attendance at the Peiping Language School.

The limitless field for the distribution of Christian literature quickens our desire to increase our grants to Mrs. Davis in the north, and to the Christian Literature Society, through Mrs. D. MacGillivray, in Shanghai.

The rate of exchange is so adverse that we wish we might be able to increase our grant to the Church of Christ in China also, so that the training of the students and women workers might not suffer. Such results as Mrs. Burkwall testifies to humble and inspire us. She keeps in close touch with the work in Shek Lung and Canton, and her hospitality to all Chinese returning from Canada is proverbial and of inestimable value.

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FORMOSA

THE rapid growth of the spirit of nationalism among the Japanese people is influencing to a wide extent the work and policy of our institutions. In the schools it has necessitated the temporary absence from the Formosan field of Misses Adams and Taylor who are studying the Japanese language in Tokyo, while those remaining on the field are giving as much time as possible to mastering the same language.

Although the absence in Canada of Misses Chisholm, Douglas and Ramsay has laid heavy responsibility on the other missionaries on the field, these three missionaries during their furloughs have through their contacts with, and addresses to, many Church organizations inspired and strengthened interest in the cause of missions.

Two new missionaries, Miss Ruth Heighton, B.A., evangelist, and Miss Mildred Weir, Reg.N., have been appointed to the North Formosa field. Miss Heighton sailed on September 7th and Misses Douglas, Ramsay and Weir on November 2nd.

Miss Phyllis Argall, M.A., Kobe, Japan, who has retired, acted as principal of the Girls' School with great success during Miss Douglas' furlough. The attendance is the largest in its history with every dormitory occupied.

Miss Mary MacVey has resigned and returned to her home in Fredericton, N.B.

The students in the Women's School, of which Miss Burdick is principal, are eager to help in Church and evangelistic work and as soon as qualified are in demand as Bible women. Wherever the Bible woman works the Church is strengthened. Many requests for workers come from preachers in different districts of the field. As yet there are not enough Bible women to fill the need.

Mrs. Koa, among her many evangelistic activities, has organized the women of several of the Churches into Women's Missionary Auxiliaries.

Miss Hermanson, at present the only foreign nurse on duty, has had an exceptionally busy year, but has carried on most successfully.

The great earthquake of Easter Sunday morning, of which a description was given in the October *Glad Tidings,* brought sorrow to thousands of homes. Our missionaries helped in every possible way and the Women's Missionary Society made a generous monetary contribution towards the relief of the sufferers.

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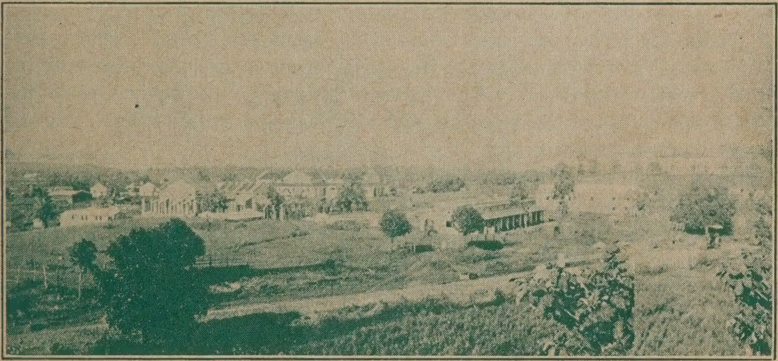
INDIA

AN eventful day in the lives of the senior girls and teachers in Jhansi occurred in August when they took part in a Girl Guide Rally which welcomed to India Lady Haig, the wife of the Governor of the United Provinces. This was held in St. Mark's, the Anglican Church Day School for European and Eurasian children. Our group conducted themselves admirably and were given a special congratulatory message. Later the Bluebirds from St. Mark's (corresponding to Brownies) came to our Mission for a joint meeting and all enjoyed games and drill together. This co-operation with another Mission school is very gratifying.



Jobat Compound, showing, from left to right: F.M.B. Bungalow, F.M.B. Compound, McConnachy Hospital, Present Hospital, Maternity Ward, Nurses' Training Home, W.M.S. Bungalow and Compound.

Miss Douglas has been made happy by the addition to the Jobat church of two rooms which have been used for day school classes.

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AMONG KOREANS IN JAPAN

THERE was rejoicing last year at the completion of fifty years' mission work among the Koreans. Anniversary services were held not only in Korea but also throughout Japan, in thankful commemoration of the coming of the Gospel. In some districts Jubilee celebrations took the form of several days' special evangelistic effort, with daybreak prayer-meetings, Bible study classes, evening evangelistic meetings, and afternoon visits to non-Christians.

One of the aims of our mission work being to build up a strong, self-supporting native Church, there is reason for thankfulness in the fact that the Korean Christian Church in Japan has now a General Assembly to manage its own affairs. Another cause for gratitude was the opening of four new churches. The one at Nagoya was opened with special services for five days. Since then the attendance has grown considerably. At the opening service, an old lady said: ''God is so good in giving us this beautiful church and in sending you teachers to work for Korean people in Japan.'' The missionary to whom she spoke felt that the friends in Canada should be told this, ''for it is to those who have caught the vision and are sending out the funds for the work that the thanks should go.'' But the women at home are thankful to have a share in this work that their missionaries are carrying on so faithfully.

Miss Anderson and Miss MacDonald spent some weeks among the Koreans of Northern Japan. ''How they welcomed us, and begged us to send them workers! . . . The Korean Christians felt we had come to encourage and teach them, and it was with that aim we went, but our own faith was strengthened, and we were encouraged when we met with people whose lives had been changed by the power of the Gospel, and who are now being used by the Holy Spirit to bring others to Christ.'' In some places they found Christians who had stopped meeting because they had no leader, but who, after talking with the missionaries, decided to meet together, if only to sing, read the Bible, and pray. Later, study books were sent to them which they are finding very helpful.

Miss Anderson sends encouraging reports of the work being carried on among the women, more of whom are gradually gaining experience as leaders. Asking for the prayers of those at home for these Korean women who go about preaching the Gospel, she adds: ''We rejoice that we are privileged to work with women of such devotion and consecration.''

Appeals from many centres for pastors, evangelists, or Bible women came to the missionaries during the year, but because there was no money for the support of workers, these appeals have had to go unanswered.

HIS BIRTHDAY

A Chinese Christian merchant closed his department store on Christmas Day and posted a conspicuous sign outside saying, ''This is Jesus' birthday and this store will be closed all day.''—*Good News* (Dr. MacBean).

Christmas in Jobat

Our readers will be interested in Miss McConnell's account of last year's celebration of Christmas at Jobat, just after her return from her first furlough.

MY Christmas in Jobat this year was rather different from the one we celebrated last year in Paris, Ontario. This was the happiest Christmas of the seven that I have spent in India. One has so much enjoyment out of preparing clothes, toys, etc., for the Indian children. In seeking to give the people a good time our own happiness is complete. Having just arrived back from Canada with trunks filled with cloth, toys of all kinds, scarfs, baby clothes, etc., we did not have to worry as to where the toys would come from for the people. There was something for every member of the Church, both young and old.

Our preparations really began several days before Christmas, as the clothes had to be labelled and everything put in order before the ''Big Day'' arrived. We had a slight change in custom this year which is always a good thing. Instead of having the (Khana) feast on Christmas night, we had it on Christmas Eve. When it is held on Christmas night it means that some of the people are held up most of the day cooking, and too, everybody is very tired by the end of the day. Having it on Christmas Eve proved very successful and everyone seemed to be very happy. Needless to say, Hindustani food tasted exceptionally good to me, as I had not had any during my time at home.

The Church was decorated on Monday. Different people were appointed to do the work. One of the young men had charge of the decorations, two others were sent to the jungle to bring in a tree. They surely brought a beautiful tree, too. Everyone entered so heartily into the preparations, and there was a spirit of happiness and expectation during the whole preparations. On Monday one of the girls had the bright idea that one of our large plants would make a fine Christmas tree for the bungalow. We had two of the men bring it in to the living-room and in a very short time we began to look and feel as if Christmas was at hand. It was surprising to see the packages that were placed around the tree. It seemed as if some of the people were up all night as we heard all sorts of noises during the night. About six in the morning as I still lay on my bed I heard singing on the verandah. The four girls were singing Christmas carols—Miss Errey and Miss Sherrick were spending Christmas with us. As I listened to their singing I began to wonder if I could possibly play the organ and ring a bell at the same time. I got up, found the table bell, which is not very heavy, and decided I could ring it with my mouth. Hearing the organ and the bell at the same time, the girls got up, as they decided Santa Claus had come when they heard ''Jingle Bells''. There was a good deal of excitement. We sang Christmas carols for a little while and by the time fires were lit we were ready to have our Chhoti Hazri. It was very cheerful to sit by the fire and eat our toast and coffee. To add to our Christmas breakfast we had some real Leghorn eggs, a very rare treat. Miss Buchanan has some very good Leghorns in Amkhut and she provided us with our treat. It just seemed everything had been planned to give us pleasure. As soon as we had eaten, we began to receive our gifts from the tree. It was an exciting time for a while. There were some very mysterious-looking parcels on the tree and on opening them we discovered that there was anything from new Ford cars to pianos. We had not long to spend over our presents as the first bell for Church rang and we knew the half-hour between bells would go very quickly. As we wended our way to Church it was a fascinating sight to see the variety of colours. All the women, yes and the men too, had new clothes for the occasion. They all looked so happy and gay. The Church service was a very happy one. All the members sang from their hearts and, indeed, we had a very wonderful time. The service was not a long one, but it is not always from the long meetings that there is most blessing.

Eleven o'clock saw the games well on their way. We had sports for the children and for the grown-ups, too. While the games were in full swing the Miss Sahibs went to the church and decorated the tree. We had the children's programme arranged for half-past one and, of course, the children were all looking forward to that. We planned to get to the church first, as we did not want to miss the expressions on the faces of the children. Some of the children on the platform could not take their eyes off the tree. Never before had we given so many gifts to the folk, for the simple reason that we did not have them to give, and we never had so many Christians in Jobat, either. It is so encouraging to see how the Church is growing.

After our Christmas tree programme the sports continued until it was nearly dark. Having given to the people, and having helped them to rejoice, the missionaries had their own little time. Seven of us met in the W.M.S. bungalow for dinner. Did we have a good dinner? When several of us got together on the menu we planned a good dinner. Of course, we did not have turkey or anything like that. Our menu consisted of tomato juice cocktail and hors d'œuvres, cream of asparagus soup, roast chicken, riced potatoes, peas, carrots and cabbage, pumpkin pie, nuts, and real Canadian chocolates. Yes, there was a surprise at each place at the table. These surprises added to the fun of the evening. After dinner we played games, and to finish up a very pleasant day we all had a time of singing before some of the guests departed. All the members of the party decided that it was the best Christmas they had spent in India. We went to bed feeling ''Something accomplished, something done, has earned a night's repose''.

Prayer

ALMIGHTY God, our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

At this joyous anniversary time when we commemorate the coming to earth of Thy Son our Saviour, we come into Thy presence with songs of thanksgiving on our lips and overflowing gratitude in our hearts. As another year draws swiftly to its close, and the Christmas celebrations turn our thoughts anew to the wonders of Thy gift of love and mercy, in opening to mankind the way of salvation through the redeeming sacrifice of Thy well-beloved Son, we would praise and magnify Thy Name. Bless, we pray Thee, in special measure at this time all who have gone as message-bearers of this redeeming love and grant to all Thy people at this Christmas season a quickened interest in and a renewed endeavour on behalf of the little children in the dark places who have never heard of the Christ-child. In every place where children are taught, we pray that those who teach may first be taught by the Holy Spirit and that their message may reach, and abide with, hearts prepared by the Spirit to receive it.

As W.M.S. women, entrusted with the spreading abroad of the glad tidings of peace and goodwill, make us, we pray Thee, more diligent in our work, more fervent in spirit, seeking always to serve the Lord our God who has done so much for us and for our loved ones. We would ask too, our Father, that in mercy Thou wilt forgive us our sins and strengthen our hearts to renewed effort and more undivided purpose in the prosecution of this Thy work entrusted to our care.

These blessings we ask, in and through the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

He came, and gave
    His love to all,
He glorified
    the earth.

And we again
    at Christmastide
Give thanks
    for Jesus' birth.

Why Mission Schools in Formosa?

REV. J. D. WILKIE

THE question is often asked: ''What justification is there for the Mission School in a land like Japan where the national educational system is so highly developed?'' I should like to answer this question from the point of view of one who is intimately connected with Mission School work.

The population of Formosa is made up of about 5% Japanese, 90% Formosans (settlers from China who came here years ago); and 4% aboriginese of Malay stock. 98% of the Japanese children get a primary education, because for them it is compulsory. For the Formosans it is not compulsory, and only 32% of them get such education; 72% of the aborigines also get a primary education. These figures show that for the Japanese excellent provision is made, but that for the Formosans conditions are not so satisfactory. Somewhat similar is the condition in the field of secondary education. In the twenty-two government secondary schools in the island there are to be found 8,424 Japanese and 5,053 Formosan students. Is this because the Formosans do not want a secondary education? A glance at the application lists would hardly let one think so. Out of 2,990 Japanese students applying for admission to secondary schools, 1,061 were accepted; out of 3,292 Formosans applying, 788 were accepted. The wealthier Formosan students may go to Japan and there continue their studies, for there they are welcomed and do well. In fact, there are more Formosan students in the secondary schools of Japan than there are in the secondary schools of Formosa. Our two mission Middle Schools (the Presbyterian Church of England school in South Formosa, and our Canadian Presbyterian Mission school in North Formosa) with a total enrolment of about 600 (of whom 95% are Formosans) try in their small way to make up, in part, for this deficiency.

But even if the Formosans had every opportunity of studying, we should still feel that there was justification for the existence of our school, for we feel that a system of education which is non-religious is incomplete. The education offered in the government schools is modern in every respect, and based on sound scientific knowledge. This tends to undermine the faith of the youth in the ancient religious beliefs of their fathers, without, however, giving anything in return to fill the void thus created, except hero worship and emphasis on the national spirit. From the point of view of having acquired knowledge, these students may be considered as ideally trained, but they are found wanting in the moral and spiritual side of their lives. Results in our schools seem to confirm our belief that a Christian education is the only complete one. For reasons which we cannot elaborate here graduates from Mission schools are recognized as being inferior in knowledge to government-trained students, but superior to them in moral character.

Finally, we think our schools justify themselves because of the opportunities which they offer us of doing religious work. Our students are probably 85 per cent. non-Christian. Why spend our money to educate non-Christians? Because we have here a splendid opportunity to present the Gospel to those who some day are going to be the leaders in Formosa. Ten baptisms a year with an enrolment of over three hundred may not seem very many. But one must remember that there are probably ten more who secretly believe, but cannot accept baptism because of family opposition. Many of these will later be baptized. Many others do not understand the Gospel sufficiently to warrant their being baptized, but they have been greatly affected by what they have heard, and will go away from the school with a profound respect for the Christian message, and for what the Church stands for. Some of these men will become doctors and lawyers; some will join the police force, while others will be mayors of towns and villages. To have such men as these extend to us a welcome when we visit their towns, instead of openly opposing us, will be a great help to us. I remember, for example, once visiting a small village called Northern Plains. The doctor there, a prominent man of the village, had heard the Gospel in our school, although he had never been baptized. He attended our meetings, even agreeing to take the chair at one. He urged the people to attend regularly, and to give careful heed to all they heard, for the message which was being spoken was no ordinary one. The people came in such numbers that the meetings had to be moved from the little church to a nearby theatre.

There are many people who do not approve of Missions branching out into institutional work. These people, on the ground of principle, will not approve of what we are doing in the Middle School. But if there is any justification for Missions engaging in this type of work, then I think you will agree that what we are doing in Tamsui Middle School justifies the $1,500 grant which we get each year from Canada for its maintenance.

Strange we so toil to fashion for our unseen ends
    The splendour that the tarnish of the world doth mar
When all the lasting glory of our life depends
    Upon a little Child, a stable and a star.—Selected.

OUR LETTER BOX

A New Missionary Arrives

Taihoku, Formosa, Japan.

''HERE I am in beautiful Formosa after a very pleasant journey across the Pacific. I was very pleased to have so many congenial travelling companions.

''From Hawaii to Japan we had only two days when the sea was rather rough; altogether, it was a very good trip. We were met in Yokohama by Miss Adams and Miss Taylor who took us to Tokyo and showed us around the downtown section of the city. It all seemed just like toyland to me. It was pouring rain and the clatter of the Japanese rain shoes in the Tokyo station was a noise never to be forgotten.

''The following day we arrived in Kobe, and had a nice visit with our missionaries there and with Dr. MacKay and his wife and daughter. We were sorry to have to say good-bye to those going on to India; however, we were fortunate to have had their company so far.

''The following Wednesday I sailed from Kobe for Keelung on the *Midzuto Maru*, a very clean, comfortable ship. In Keelung I was met by Miss Burdick, Miss Hermanson, Miss Newbury, and Mrs. Stevens, and three Chinese young women. Miss Newbury, who speaks Japanese fluently, helped me with my baggage and before very long I was having tea in my new home. I am to be here in Taihoku with Miss Hermanson, and with Miss Ramsay and Miss Weir when they arrive.

''I saw our work in Tamsui, the Leprosy Colony, and the Hospital here, and it is all so interesting! Yesterday I started language study with my Japanese teacher and it is very interesting indeed. The time passed very quickly and here's hoping it always will!''

—Ruth L. Heighton.

The M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home

Amkhut, Central India.

''ONE day when I was here writing I could see and hear Mungl Singh leading the singing. He was up on the verandah rail, which is a low wide wall, of the little house at the back. For a seat, he had a large tin can turned upside-down. Every once in a while he would stand up and wave his arms about, singing with vim, 'Jai, Jai, Jai Messehki, Jai'—'Victory, Victory, Victory, Victory to Jesus'. That's as far as he could go, but he sang as though he really meant it. There was no visible audience or choir, but as Mungl could see one, that was sufficient. He really is a darling child and everyone just loves him.

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"I have put the children on the east side of the building, so that they get the morning sun, and the patients on the west side. The screened verandahs really are a blessing. They keep out not only flies and mosquitoes, but also bats and stray dogs. The bats just now are a real pest, for they hang to any part of the roof they can get a footing on and they have rather dirty habits. This trouble for us is over, and that alone is worth a lot.

"Miss Maxwell has a sewing class for the girls that do not study English in school and one of the girls has been working on rag mats. These mats are really made of new materials, scraps from the cuttings of the boys' and girls' clothes, mixed up with other bright colours, so that you can just imagine how pretty they are. Miss Maxwell has given me five of these rugs which I have put in the front and centre rooms and here in the office. They make the rooms look more home-like as well as more beautiful. It is so strange to see the people, as they come in, stepping around these mats, for they don't think they are to walk on. These rainy days the doctor even takes off his shoes before he enters so as not to get the floor dirty. Of course, it is a common custom for people here to take off their shoes before entering a house or shop.

"Since we came down from the hills the end of June, Chetu, the gardener, and Yunitan, his helper, have worked faithfully on the garden and both the vegetable and flower beds are a beautiful sight. We have planted hedge seed on two sides of our lot here. In the vegetable garden we have lettuce, beans, carrots, onions, tomatoes, peppers, and peas. We have lots of carrots and tomatoes so that the kiddies will get their iron and vitamins. Besides this, Chetu has planted a number of fruit trees, for most of our nice young trees which Miss Soutar put in were frozen last winter. We have lemon, banana, orange, mango, quava and pipita trees. None give shade yet, but it is encouraging to see them all living. As the mango tree is the best for shade we have planted one out in the centre of the back lawn where the kiddies play.

"Stephon has made a large sand box and the kiddies play in this for hours. As, on account of the rains, they have had to play indoors for days at a time, we had a swing made out of an orange box. Two can swing at a time. The first few days there were one or two falls, and some of the children would scream when we put them on the swing, but now they are all so brave and like to be swung up high. When the sun does shine for short intervals, we take them outside so that they may get the benefit of its warmth."

—*(Miss) Iris Errey.*

Books Old and New

BY LEREINE BALLANTYNE

''CHRISTMAS awakens the impulse of giving. The slumbering royalty of our hearts expresses itself in hearty greetings of 'Merry Christmas!' '' This royalty of the heart is so often expressed through the gift of good books, which are treasures to those seeking the finer paths of thought, that your Publications Department has compiled a very helpful list of gift books for both juniors and adults. It will be sent to you, if you have not already received one, on receipt of a postal card.

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Will all sending in Christmas orders to be filled please state whether the book is required for a boy or girl, giving his or her age. Also, will all Literature Secretaries (except Provincials) RETURN ALL STOCK HELD ON APPROVAL before December 28th, to Presbyterian W.M.S. Publications, Room 700, 372 Bay Street, Toronto.

YOUNG WOMEN

A NEW VENTURE

MISS LAURA K. PELTON, Young Women's Travelling Secretary, has compiled a study on Canada, and it is available for any Young Women's Group wishing to use it. In its preparation the needs of the young women were kept in mind. It deals with the History and Nature of the Society, its work across Canada, and features the work among the Indians of Canada and the Chinese in Canada. The study provides material for six meetings at a cost of 60 cents, and may be secured through Mrs. J. D. Holman at Room 700, 372 Bay Street, Toronto.

WHAT KIND OF A PRESIDENT ARE YOU?

If you are a new president or a re-elected president with some new officers, see that all officers have a copy of the Auxiliary by-law which explains their duties, and any leaflets issued for that department. All retiring officers should pass on their literature, records, and supplies to the new officers.

Keep your vice-president interested and in touch with the work, so that she may capably fill your place in your absence.

Have your programme and each item of business written down in a note-book kept for the purpose; arrange the business session to take the least possible time; make it interesting, do not let it drag. Keep in the same note-book simplified rules on parliamentary law, and take a copy of the Annual Report and the by-laws of the Society to each meeting.

Have a certain time limit for your meeting, preferably an hour and a quarter, never more than an hour and a half. Begin on time, if only three are present. Close on time whether you are through or not.

Keep yourself in the background, except in the matter of presiding, keep the meeting in your own hands, guarding the time, seeing that no one takes more than her share of either business discussion or programme.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Why should groups report promptly when the tabulated forms arrive?

To save unnecessary correspondence and postage, to represent the Presbyterial fairly, to make possible a full report for the Council, and to encourage your secretaries, Presbyterial, Provincial, and Council.

Who are the losers if no report or a partial report is made?

The group itself, the Presbyterial, the Provincial, and the Council.

Of what account is the annual report?

It calls attention to the defects, emphasizes successes, encourages further effort, develops a just pride, gives opportunity for others to make a comparison, lets the Society know that you are eager, hopeful young women who are alive to the great business of the Society.

Should any Society excuse itself from making a report?

Absolutely not. No secretary can make a full or satisfactory report if any group fails to give a full report. If nothing has been done in a certain line, say so. If what has been done is small, report anyway; no group is asked to do the impossible.

—*Fergie D. Holman.*

GIRLS AND LEADERS

Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas to-night!
Christmas in lands of the fir tree and pine,
Christmas in lands of the palm tree and vine,
Christmas where snow peaks stand solemn and white,
Christmas where cornfields stand sunny and bright,
Christmas where children are hopeful and gay,
Christmas where old men are patient and gray,
Christmas where peace like a dove in his flight
Broods o'er brave men in the thick of the fight;
Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas to-night;
For the Christ-Child who comes is the Master of all,
No palace too great, no cottage too small.

—*Phillips Brooks.*

Dear Leaders and Girls:

December comes to us with such a wealth of ideas for things that girls will enjoy doing that it seems, at first thought, to be the easiest month in the year for which to plan and develop a programme.

The spirit of Christmastide makes service projects seem unusually challenging and stimulates the growth of innumerable plans for recreation. The greatest poets and artists have given us materials for worship services, so I thought you might like to build a worship service on the theme of ''Everywhere Christmas''.

Instrumental prelude, softly: ''It Came Upon a Midnight Clear.''

Sing softly a carol from Germany: ''Silent Night, Holy Night.''

Leader: The whole world is a Christmas tree,
And stars its many candles be,
Oh, sing a carol joyfully,
The year's great feast in keeping.

For once, on a December night,
An angel held a candle bright,
And led three wise men by its light
To where a Child lay sleeping.

—*Harriet F. Blodgett.*

A French-Canadian Christmas carol (No. 190 in *Songs For Worship*)
"Whence, O Shepherd maiden, Whence come you?"

Leader: Let us hear how when Jesus was born men came from a far country to worship Him.

Read, in unison: Matthew 2: 1-11.

A Christmas carol from England: "Hark the Herald Angels Sing."

Some one might read "Christmas in many lands," or tell of Christmas customs in different countries.

A Christmas carol from the Latin: "O Come All Ye Faithful."

Closing, a Christmas Prayer:

We offer here our treasures and our gifts;
And some of it is gold,
And some is frankincense,
And some is myrrh;
For some has come from plenty, some from joy,
And some from deepest sorrow of the soul,
But thou, O God, dost know the gift is love,
Our pledge of Peace, our promise of Goodwill,
Accept the gift and all the life we bring,
Amen.

—*Herbert H. Hines.*

With best wishes for a happy Christmas,

—*Jean Kelman.*

MISSION BANDS

JOHN AND MARY IN FORMOSA

(Continued from November issue)

ON a lovely bright day last August, down beside the river in Taihoku, Formosa, little Foo with a long bamboo stick was guiding his large flock of ducks home. His little wooden shoes made queer sounds in the sand and his long loose trousers and short jacket flapped in the gentle breeze. Suddenly he stopped because he had seen John and Mary watching him. At first he simply stared, for you know Foo had never before seen a little girl or boy with golden hair, and their clothes looked so funny to him. At last he smiled and his little dark eyes shone as John took some marbles from his pocket and showed him how to play with them. You should have seen how happy he was when John put the marbles into his little brown hand and made him understand that he was giving them to him! He bowed three times very low, then away he ran, making the ducks waddle very quickly. From his home, built of mud bricks, with a tiled roof, John and Mary saw Foo's mother come out to meet him, a little brown baby strapped to her back. The father was working in the garden not far away. He had a funny hat on that John said looked like an ice-cream cone upside down. It was of bamboo leaves and very light and cool.

As Foo and his mother and some of the ducks disappeared into the house, John and Mary turned to watch the queer boats on the river along whose banks they had been walking with their parents and Rev. Mr. and Mrs. MacMillan whom they were visiting. As they were looking at the house-boats, they heard Mr. MacMillan tell of what was being done by the missionaries in Taihoku and in the villages and towns around to carry on the good work begun by Dr. G. L. Mackay in 1871,—sixty-four years ago.

At last they started back to the Mission, where at lunch they would meet dear friends they had heard of at the Mission Band at home. Besides Rev. Mr. and Mrs. MacMillan there were Dr. and Mrs. Gushue-Taylor, Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Stevens, Miss Adams, Miss H. Hermanson, Miss Isabel Taylor, and Mrs. Bella Koa. All spoke of how gladly they would welcome the two new missionaries coming in September,—Miss Weir, a nurse, and Miss Heighton, an evangelist, as well as Miss Ramsay who would return in November from her holidays in Canada. They were sorry Miss Chisholm was not returning yet.

After lunch they all went to see the Mackay Memorial Hospital, where the Chinese patients are not only taken care of but are taught that they have a loving Saviour and Friend in Jesus. John and Mary were especially pleased to visit the children's ward. Although they were unable to go to the hospital for lepers they heard from their parents how happy these sufferers, once so lonely and unwanted, are now with their own hospital and church. Mary and John greatly enjoyed the time they spent at Miss Adam's kindergarten, where Chinese tots were learning to read, play and sing, just like Canadian children, and, best of all, were learning about Jesus. Mary and John said that they would tell the boys and girls at home about the great work the Banders were helping to do.

(To be continued)

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. J. M. MOODIE, 2719, 14TH ST. W., CALGARY, PRESS SECRETARY

CALGARY P.S.—The North Hill Auxiliary, Calgary, opened its fall term with a ''Rally tea'' at the home of the President, Mrs. McConnell. At its regular meeting Mrs. T. Rodger, Presbyterial President, presented the work of our Society in a very clear, impressive manner and laid great stress on the need of prayer and faithfulness in all departments.

Edmonton P.S.—The semi-annual meeting of the Presbyterial was held in First Church, Edmonton. The regular weekly Bible study and women's prayer meeting, led by Mrs. R. L. Greene, constituted the devotional part of the programme. The reports of the various departments showed steady progress in the work. Letters were read from Miss M. Todd, Brownvale, and Miss M. Grigor, Wanham, expressing appreciation of gifts sent them, and from Mrs. C. E. Fisher, who has now taken up the work in Grande Prairie formerly carried on by Mrs. Wright. Special speakers were Mrs. F. W. Allott, Provincial President, Miss A. McKee, Superintendent of the Girls' Residence, Vegreville, and Miss Frieda Matthews, deaconess, of Red Deer. We feel deeply indebted to these ladies for the splendid accounts they gave of their work, and very specially do we wish to express our appreciation of Mrs. Allott's addresses which are always so stimulating and inspiring to our members. Mrs. N. B. Moors gave an excellent report of the Enlarged Council Executive meeting in Toronto. At the evening session, a fine address was delivered by Dr. Osborn, Mrs. A. K. Southam, Girls' Organization Secretary, presiding. A memorial service was held for Mrs. W. Simons, Mrs. A. T. Kinnaird, and Mrs. W. Lovegrove, three devoted workers who had been called to higher service since our last meeting.

Macleod P.S.—At the annual Thank-offering meeting of St. Andrew's W.M.S. Auxiliary, Lethbridge, Mrs. Allott, Provincial President, spoke of the early history of our W.M.S., pointing out that the success of the work in those early days was due to the earnest, prayerful spirit of the pioneers and that the same desire for close fellowship with our Master was very necessary in these days of stress and strain, if we were to reach the goal. Two little members of the Mission Band sang pleasingly.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. W. J. SMITH, BOX 138, ARMSTRONG, PRESS SECRETARY

AT the September meeting of the Provincial Board great regret was expressed at Mrs. Herd's departure from Vancouver and her resignation from the Executive Committee. Miss Sybil White reported that the ''Stay-at-home Camp'' had been a decided success, with thirty girls in attendance. More vital work was accomplished this year.

Victoria P.S.—The annual rally of the Presbyterial was held in St. Andrew's Church, Victoria, with a large attendance from all Auxiliaries. Mrs. Clay, First Vice-President, presided in the absence of Mrs. Sanders, who has been ill for some time. Mrs. R. M. Thomson, Provincial President, gave a very fine and encouraging report of the Enlarged Council Executive meeting in Toronto last May. ''Despite the stress and strain of world conditions, the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada is still able to do its bit,'' Mrs. Thomson said, as she urged the members to carry on in prayer and faith. The reports of the Treasurer and the Supply Secretary were very encouraging. Rev. J. S. Patterson brought greetings from Presbytery.

The July meeting of the W.M.S. Auxiliary of St. Andrew's Church, Victoria, took the form of a most enjoyable picnic at the home of Mrs. Walter Paterson, Gordon Head. There was a large attendance of members and friends. After the opening devotions conducted by the President, Mrs. Kennedy, reports were given of the progress being made in every branch of the work of the Auxiliary. The special feature of the meeting was the presentation of a Life Membership Certificate and pin to Mrs. Paterson as a token of their appreciation of her interest in every branch of Church work, especially in the W.M.S. Auxiliary. Tea was served and a social hour enjoyed in the beautiful grounds of Mrs. Paterson's home.

Kootenay P.S.—The annual Thank-offering meeting of the W.M.S. Auxiliary of Cranbrook Presbyterian Church took the place of the regular evening service on Sunday, October 13th. Lantern slides illustrating our missionary work in Formosa and Japan were shown, and the C.G.I.T. provided special music. The meeting was well attended. Much regret is felt at the loss sustained by this Auxiliary in the removal of Mrs. A. A. MacKinnon to Victoria. Our loss is Victoria's gain.

MANITOBA

MRS. GEORGE REYNOLDS, 218 YOUNG STREET, WINNIPEG, PRESS SECRETARY

SUPERIOR P.S.—Mrs. D. Inglis Grant, of Toronto, Candidates' Secretary of the Council Executive, addressed the Auxiliary of First Presbyterian Church, Port Arthur, on ''The Auxiliary—the foundation of the home mission work of the Presbyterian Church.'' The immediate needs of her department, she said, are two doctors and a nurse. The President, Miss Smellie, expressed to Mrs. Grant the Society's appreciation.

Mrs. C. LeCocq presided at the annual Thank-offering meeting of St. Andrew's Auxiliary, Fort William. Mrs. W. F. Hogarth, pioneer member of the Society, whose health has not permitted her to attend meetings for several years, was welcomed. Rev. A. H. Johnston spoke on the subject of

''Faith.'' Following the meeting several of the members went to the home of Mrs. R. Corbett to present her with a Life Membership in the Society of which she has been an active member for thirty years.

Brandon P.S.—Mrs. J. F. Leslie presided at the Thank-offering meeting of the W.M.S. Auxiliary of First Presbyterian Church, Brandon. Mrs. J. S. Flook, of Winnipeg, told many interesting incidents of her visits to Indian Reserves, and spoke of the wonderful courage of the women of the prairies who have carried on despite the many difficulties they have had to overcome. The closing exercises were conducted by Rev. J. F. Wedderburn, after which a pleasant social hour was enjoyed.

At a meeting held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Brandon, under the auspices of the Brandon Presbyterial, Miss Mamie Todd gave an interesting address on her work among the young people at Brownvale in the Peace River District. Mrs. J. A. Gray, Presbyterial President, presided.

At the annual Thank-offering meeting of the W.M.S. Auxiliary of Minnedosa, Mrs. Flook, Provincial President, delivered a most inspiring and helpful address. On the following Sunday Mrs. Flook addressed the children at the Rally Service.

Winnipeg P.S.—With sails all set for a favouring breeze, the ''Nautical Tea'' of the Girls' Guild of Old Kildonan Church got under way on October 19th at 2.30 at the home of Mrs. J. P. Duffin, Winnipeg. The members of the Guild looked very ''trig'' in their white sailor suits, and the decorations of various types of ships very effective. A sale of work on the ''upper deck'' was well patronized by the many ''passengers''. A substantial sum was realized.

The Thank-offering meeting of Selkirk Auxiliary was well attended. Mrs. Gemmel presided and Mrs. George Leckie, Presbyterial President, spoke on her work among the Indians, and the work of the Winnipeg Presbyterial. A pleasant item of the evening's programme was the presentation of a quilt to Mrs. Gemmel, the retiring President, who is moving to Winnipeg. This quilt with the names of friends worked on it had brought in $31 for the W.M.S. An inspiring, profitable evening was closed with prayer by Rev. E. L. Garvin.

ONTARIO

Mrs. J. R. Sanderson, 166 Hammersmith Ave., Toronto, Press Secretary

Such as I have, give I thee.

THE wise men brought the young babe gifts—gold, frankincense, myrrh. The shepherds gave him a gaily-coloured ball and a rattle, two nuts tied together with a piece of string. Would not the gift from their meagre store delight the heart of the Christ-child more?

At Mission Band rallies at Simcoe and Ingersoll in Paris P.S. ten Bands were represented. Mrs. J. R. Hill, Ottawa, and Rev. E. A. Toombs were speakers, Mrs. R. A. Paterson presiding. Seven Junior memberships and three seals were presented by Mrs. T. E. Langford and Mrs. R. C. Campbell. The Misses Toombs gave delight by singing in Hindi.

Sunnidale Corners, Barrie P.S., was the scene of a rousing Mission Band rally when six Bands with 131 members carried through a good programme presided over by Mrs. K. N. Cooper, Collingwood. Mrs. M. W. Heslip, Penetanguishene, told of the work of Miss Iris Errey, our missionary in Amkhut, India. Mrs. Thomas Burroughs gave a report of the first Mission Band meeting in Sunnidale twenty years ago. Mrs. Cooper presented a ''Missionary Ladder,'' each step an organization in the W.M.S., emphasizing the ''stepping up'' to, and purpose of, each department. ''Glad Tidings'' day was observed throughout the Presbyterial, resulting in many new subscriptions. Sectional meetings in this Presbyterial have been very encouraging. Mrs. B. D. Armstrong presided at Guthrie, where the speakers were Mrs. J. G. Inkster, Toronto, Mrs. C. Thomson and Mrs. J. H. Eaton, Orillia, and Mrs. M. W. Heslip. At Stroud Mrs. R. A. Sutherland was in charge and Mrs. E. A. Toombs, of India, was the speaker. At Willis Church, Oro, Rev. B. D. Armstrong gave an illustrated lecture. Eighty members from surrounding Auxiliaries attended a meeting in Knox Church, Midland, when Miss M. Sutherland gave an illustrated lecture on Japan. Mission Band members and Mrs. M. Perrin gave musical selections.

For the first time we have word from Morrisburg, Brockville P.S., telling of their Golden Jubilee. A fine programme was provided, the history of the Auxiliary read, and an address given by Mrs. W. D. Turner, Winchester. Greetings were received from visiting Auxiliaries, sister Societies and absent members. A Life Membership was presented to Miss A. Boyd, a membership pin to Mrs. J. Meikle in appreciation of her seventeen years as treasurer of the Auxiliary, an ''In Memoriam'' given by Mrs. Sheets and Mrs. Wright in memory of their mother, Mrs. Dillabough, who was a charter member. Honour was paid those pioneer women who established the work of the W.M.S. in Morrisburg. At the tea hour the golden birthday cake was the *pièce de résistance.*

At the autumn rally of Stratford P.S. held in Atwood a deep spiritual atmosphere prevailed. Each Secretary presented for discussion her chief problem,—and they were many. Mention was made of the passing of Rev. A. S. Grant, D.D., and members who had died during the year. Miss P. B. Lamont gave a stirring address on ''Repairing the Waste.'' Restoring what has been lost these lean years, going beyond previous attainments in effort and results, each must build ''over against his own house.'' A blue seal was presented to Miss Jean Clark, Milverton, by the Jubilee committee.

Miss Gould presided at a well-attended meeting at Westminster Church, Wick, Lindsay P.S. Secretaries' reports were presented and problems discussed. Literature sales and *Glad Tidings* subscriptions have increased.

A sectional meeting of Auxiliaries in the Peterborough district met in St. Paul's Church. Miss E. McVannel gave an illustrated talk on the work of Rev. Jonathan Goforth, D.D., and Mrs. D. Ewart, Cobourg, brought information and inspiration from the Provincial Board meeting. Auxiliaries continued their meetings through the summer months.

Mrs. A. T. Barr and Miss E. Walker, Peterborough, addressed a special meeting of Centreville Auxiliary. A birthday tea and pot-luck luncheon, in aid of the expense fund, was given by Millbrook Auxiliary. Tables representing the months of the year, were nicely decorated.

Burnbrae Mission Band, Kingston P.S., celebrated their tenth birthday with a programme of pageants and parables in pantomime. The candles were lighted and the birthday cake cut while the chorus, ''Builders for Glory,'' was being sung. From the proceeds four Junior memberships will be given to Helen Murray, Dorene Pollock, Yvonne Little and Dorothy Eagleson. Well done, ''Willing Workers'' of Burnbrae!

Successful sectional meetings in Saugeen P.S. were held at Mount Forest, Durham, and Palmerston. Mrs. John Marshall, President, and Miss P. B. Lamont, the speakers, gave real help and inspiration.

A Jubilee Tea was held on the lawn of Mrs. Waterhouse, Whitby, Toronto P.S., in honour of their eight pioneer members. Mrs. David Galbraith was the recipient of an Honorary Membership and pin, accompanied by an address of appreciation, Miss Bella Anderson and Mrs. Waterhouse making the presentation. During her nine years as President Mrs. Galbraith was absent only twice. An ably compiled review of the work written by her was read by her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Abraham, Toronto.

The Diamond Jubilee of the Presbyterian Church in Canada and the twenty-first anniversary of the Ontario Provincial were observed at the opening meeting of Scott Auxiliary, St. John's Church, Toronto. The Auxiliaries of Riverdale, Queen Street East, and the ''MacBean'' of St. John's were guests. Rev. R. G. Stewart, D.D., was the speaker. Mrs. W. H. D. Leaf paid tribute to the memory of three members who had died recently. A missionary sketch and musical selections added to the evening's enjoyment. C.G.I.T. girls were ushers. Supplies were displayed, and refreshments served.

QUEBEC

MRS. J. D. ANDERSON, 128 ELLICE ST., BEAUHARNOIS, PRESS SECRETARY

QUEBEC P.S.—Representatives from Melbourne, Richmond, Flodden and Sherbrooke attended the sectional meeting of the Sherbrooke Division of the Quebec Presbyterial at Melbourne, September 25th.

Mrs. A. G. Stalker, of Windsor Mills, presided, and excellent reports, showing marked progress and improvement in the past year's work, were submitted by the delegates. Miss Agnes L. Dickson, B.A., for many years a missionary in China and at present in charge of the Chinese work in Montreal, was the guest speaker. Her very interesting address included ''high-lights'' from recent letters from friends in China, as well as in her own work among the mothers and children in Montreal.

Montreal P.S.—Encouraging reports were presented at the semi-annual meeting of the Provincial Board in Knox Crescent Church, Montreal, October 15th, Miss C. E. Cameron presiding. The Treasurer had forwarded $6,200 to the Council Treasurer. Young Women's Auxiliaries were reported as using the study book faithfully. Expansion among Auxiliaries on the South Shore was noted in Montreal Presbyterial.

At the annual conference for leaders at Huntingdon Miss Margaret Ramsay (Formosa) impressed her audience by the account of her work. Mr. Harold Brown spoke on boys' work at Tyndale House, Montreal. The wonderful work carried on there by Miss Murray and Mr. Brown should be better known locally. The inspirational part of the meeting was contained in Miss M. MacKinnon's address on ''The Hills of Help'' and Mrs. G. W. Grier's closing words. ''The only way to keep calm in this restless world is to get away daily upon the mountain top for communion with our Lord and 'breathe in His refreshing grace'. At the bottom of the mountain we will find some one in need, as did the disciples after the transfiguration,'' said Miss MacKinnon.

Mrs. Grier's plea was for great consecration. Unsanctified Christians are the great stumbling-block in the Lord's work. We have accepted salvation as God's free gift but are unwilling to pay the price of sanctification, and only the Holy Spirit can show us what it is that is hindering. May we pray, ''Search *me*, O God, and know my heart, and see if there be any wicked way in me.''

Once in my childhood days, long dead,
I watched a supper table being laid
By busy hands, and eagerly I said
Wishing to help, ''Please, may *I* bring the bread?''
Gently, reprovingly, a kind voice said,
''Are your hands clean?''
Abashed, I hung my head.

Oft when I see the multitudes unfed
And waiting, hungry for the Living Bread,
My heart and hands are eager to be sped
To bring the manna that they may be fed,
But one Voice says, e'en as a voice once said,
''Are your hands clean?''
I only hang my head.

SASKATCHEWAN

MRS. E. G. D. MACEACHERN, 1934 VICTORIA AVE., REGINA, PRESS SECRETARY

SASKATOON P.S.—St. Andrew's Mission Band and the Swastika Guild, Saskatoon, united in a Thank-offering meeting, the Guild conducting the devotions and the Band providing special musical numbers and exercises. Mrs. M. Grant, Presbyterial President, presented to the Guild a crisp ten-dollar bill as the first prize for their poster contest, and to the Band a beautifully framed picture ''The Hope of the World,'' the first prize for their scrap book. Rev. W. G. Brown, pastor of St. Andrew's, gave a very fine address, taking his subject from the picture. A large gathering of friends enjoyed the programme and spent some time over the posters and scrap books which were on exhibition. St. Andrew's feels very proud of the Band, which under Mrs. G. A. Shade won second place in the 1934 contest, and of the Guild under the leadership of Miss Helen Ross.

The members of the Coleville Auxiliary motored to Kindersley and held their October meeting at the home of Mrs. J. D. Hamilton. The ''Glad Tidings'' Day programme as suggested in the September issue was followed. Ten visitors from the Kindersley congregation were present.

At the October meeting of the Parkview Auxiliary ''Glad Tidings'' Day was held in memory of the late Miss M. C. G. Fraser, the beloved Editor of the magazine. Several very interesting papers were given. Rev. W. G. Pellow gave an illustrated lecture on Formosa.

Regina P.S.—The Thank-offering meeting of First Presbyterian Church, Regina, was held October 9th. Greetings were brought from the Auxiliaries of the other Protestant Churches in the city, as this was the Diamond Jubilee of the founding of our Church. Dr. A. McKay, who spent a number of years in India with a geological party, gave an illustrated lecture which was much appreciated. Dr. McKay in his closing words gave a very stirring challenge to the Christian Church at home. He said: ''The people of India are a very spiritual people and most sincere in their search for God. We therefore who call ourselves Christians must in our everyday life present a living Christ or our work will be fruitless.''

The missionary organizations of North Side Presbyterian Church held a joint Thank-offering meeting on October 21st, with the Mission Band, the C.G.I.T., the Young Women's and Senior Auxiliaries in charge of the programme. Rev. Mr. Evans, of Indian Head, gave a very searching and instructive address on the subject, ''So This is Civilization.''

While in Regina en route to Formosa after her furlough Miss Ramsay addressed the three Presbyterian Sunday Schools in the city, and on Monday a joint meeting of the Auxiliary of North Side and First Presbyterian Churches, and later ''Sunbeam'' Mission Band.

At the rally at Eastview Sabbath School Miss E. Don Cathro gave a most delightful talk to the children taking as her topic ''The Beauty of Child Life and Its Development.''

Treasurer's Statement

October, 1935

RECEIPTS

Mrs. John H. Thomson, Toronto, ‘‘Supplies’’ ..	$ 15.00
Refund from Vegreville School Residence	100.00
Government Grant ‘‘Cecilia Jeffrey’’ Indian School	5,664.16
Toronto Young Women's Leaders' Fellowship Camp, ‘‘Young Women's Work’’	11.25
Provincial Givings:	
Alberta	154.56
British Columbia	500.00
Manitoba	345.00
Ontario	11,400.00
Quebec	600.00
Saskatchewan	275.00
	$19,064.97

DISBURSEMENTS

Hospitals:	
South Porcupine	$ 75.00
Canora	564.16
Vegreville	240.00
Chinese in Canada	747.74
‘‘Cecilia Jeffrey’’ Indian School	608.32
Government Grant paid to ‘‘Cecilia Jeffrey’’ Indian School	5,664.16
Birtle Indian School	734.33
Mistawasis Indian Day School	50.00
Presbyterian Residences:	
Huntingdon	75.00
New Liskeard	66.66
Saskatoon	68.33
Vegreville	280.83
Welcome and Welfare	1,296.98
Publications	1,508.69
Organization	300.00
Deputation	156.23
Lantern Slides	104.81
Insurance	69.00
Education of Chinese Girl	66.70
Pensions	1,748.00
New Missionaries	572.00
South China	121.18
India, Bhil	88.00
Jhansi	20.00
Formosa	1,222.24
Japan	24.40
British Guiana	60.00
Exchange	7.34
Administration	392.75
	$16,932.85

RESERVE FUNDS

Receipts:

Special Fund—		
Payment on South Porcupine Hospital	$1,995.00	
Rent of Bungalow in Japan	30.00	
Legacy Fund—		
Interest on Legacy Account	67.50	
Mrs. Soutar, Hamilton, Gift for Electric Light for the M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home, Amkhut, India	100.00	
		$2,192.50

Disbursements:

Special Fund—	
Birtle Indian School, Equipment for Boys' Work	$ 50.00

(Mrs. Daniel) Helen M. Strachan,
Treasurer.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Manitoba

Brandon P.S.—Y.W.A., Carberry; Y.W.A., Wellwood.

Ontario

Brockville P.S.—Knox Church M.B., Ventnor.

Kingston P.S.—C.G.I.T., St. Peter's, Madoc.

Peterboro P.S.—St. Andrew's Church M.B., Hastings; "Margaret Ramsay" M.B., Peterboro.

CORRECTIONS FOR ANNUAL REPORT

Manitoba

Provincial Officers, page 107.—New Corr. Sec., Mrs. John Fleck, 5 Pleasant View Apts., Scotia St., Winnipeg.

Brandon P.S., page 113.—New officers—Pres., Mrs. J. A. Gray, R.R. 5, Brandon; Corr. Sec., Mrs. G. E. Lougheed, 321-9th St., Brandon; Mission Band Sec., Miss Kate Duncan, 830-6th St., Brandon; Exchange Sec., Mrs. R. A. Hamlin, Forrest.

Winnipeg P.S., page 117.—Old Kildonan Auxiliary, givings should read $100.00 *not* $10.00.

Ontario

Lindsay P.S., page 153.—Beaverton Auxiliary, givings should read $91.26 *not* $9.26.

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